WEATHER FORECAST

For 36 hours ending 5 p.m., Wednesday: Victoria and vicinity—Fresh to strong east to south winds, unsettled and mild with rain.

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OPPOSITION'S "MASTER STROKE" COLLAPSES

TWO MEN FOUGHT DUEL IN WOODS SAYS SURVIVOR

Aged Trapper Feared Gold Rush to Land Where Traps Had Been Set For Years

Participant in Strange Battle, Voluntarily Gave Himself up

A strange story of how two men fought with rifles in the bush, far removed from the nearest habitation, was unfolded this week before Coroner Hubert Campbell, of Williams Lake.

The coroner was accompanied by Dr. W. Charters, of Alexis Creek, and two Provincial police officers in to Chilco Lake, where one man is said to have come to his death as a result of the strange encounter.

Frederick Cyr, who gave himself up to the police voluntarily ten days ago, guided the party to the scene where he says he stood faced by Alex. Ducharme, a veteran trapper of the B.C. woods in the rifle battle.

Cyr, it is asserted, told the officers he had discovered gold prospects in the territory through which ran Ducharme's trap lines. Ducharme, according to his story, was adverse to seeing what he thought might lead to a rush to the area and the spoilation of trapping grounds known to himself alone for many years.

Ducharme, asserted Cyr, coaxed him to give up the prospecting and to go trapping with him, but Cyr was not to be deterred. The conflict came at last to the point where the two men faced each other with rifles, and according to Cyr's story he shot in self-defence, his bullet putting an end to the life of the aged trapper.

Cyr walked in to the police station at Williams Lake and voluntarily gave himself up, telling the circumstances of the fatality long before the authorities were aware that it had taken place. He is held on a formal charge pending the official inquiry into the facts of the case.

KUO'S TROOPS ABOUT TO ENTER MUKDEN

Only Small Force of Marshal Chang's Men Remains an Obstacle

Tokio, Dec. 8.—Latest dispatches received by Japanese Foreign Office declare the army of General Kuo Sung-Lien, former henchman of Marshal Chang Tso-Lin, Manchurian warlord, are expected to enter Mukden, capital of Manchuria, tomorrow. General Kuo's troops at present are reported to be at Sinng-fut, Shengking province, west of Mukden, facing a small army which is expected either to surrender or retreat toward Kirin, whither Marshal Chang was reported journeying this morning.

ANXIETY AMONG JAPANESE

The Japanese in Manchuria, numbering approximately 100,000, are greatly worried. The Japanese in Mukden have closed their shops and are in the expectation of fighting between the rival factions.

The Japanese Cabinet yesterday reiterated its decision not to send additional troops to Manchuria, believing the railway guards and present garrison are capable of coping with the situation unless it becomes more serious. Three hundred railway guards are being sent from Linoyang to Mukden.

Powder Explosion Killed Two Men

Seattle, Dec. 8—Frederick Backer and E. W. Foster were killed and David Forbes was critically injured in a powder explosion to-day in the new Black Diamond coal mine at Black Diamond, south of here.

No More Bullfights In Region of Paris

Paris, Dec. 8.—All bullfights, whether aiming at the death or merely wounding of the animals, have been interdicted in the region of Paris by an order of the police prefect. Similar interdiction throughout the whole of France is now sought.

Old Bible to be Sold in New York

London, Dec. 8.—Edward Goldston, a London book dealer, announces that his famous 470-year-old Gottenborg Bible is soon to be sent to New York to be sold by auction in February. This Bible is said to be the first book printed with movable type. It has been in London since July, when it was brought here by Mr. Goldston, who purchased the volume from the monks of Benedictine Monastery near Vienna, in whose possession it had been for 300 years

FIFTY PLANES TO BE ADDED TO TURK FORCE

Copenhagen, Dec. 8—The Turkish Government has ordered fifty single seater fighting aeroplanes made of duralumin from Copenhagen works of the Rohrbach Metal Aeroplane Company, which has its headquarters in Berlin.

OMETEPE VOLCANO HEAVILY RUMBLING

San Juan del Sur, Nicaragua, Dec. 8.—The volcano Ometepe, on an island in Lake Nicaragua, is showing activity. Heavy rumblings from it are heard frequently. Several small earthquakes have been felt. The streets of Rivas are covered with ashes.

U.S., GERMANY AND RUSSIA ASKED TO SHARE ARMAMENT DISCUSSION

Geneva, Dec. 8—The Council of the League of Nations decided to-day to invite the United States, Russia and Germany to participate in the work of the special commission which is to prepare for an international disarmament conference.

The decision, which was reached at a secret session, was not announced officially, as difficulty has arisen in agreeing upon the European states, members of the League but not of the Council, which will be invited to participate.

These are almost certain to include Finland, Holland, Jugoslavia and Poland; but there is some doubt whether Rumania and Bulgaria will be added. The plan to invite Argentina and Chile has been temporarily abandoned, as the commission will concentrate its early efforts upon European peace and disarmament, hence the Latin-American membership of Brazil and Uruguay is deemed sufficient at present.

TO HARMONIZE VIEWS

The Council, at a private session, discussed the programme of disarmament study outlined by the disarmament council (council No. 2), seeking means of composing the differences between Britain and France on the question of tying up the subject of mutual assistance in the event of war with that of disarmament.

The matters on which the members of the disarmament council are in accord cover a wide scope, including definition of the military, economic and geographical elements upon which the power of a country depends in war time.

After arranging for an examination of peace-time armaments, methods of recruiting and of military instruction and organizations capable of military usefulness, the Council asked the proposed preparatory commission whether it is possible to limit eventual war armaments, or whether the study should be restricted to peace armaments.

AEROPLANES ARE FACTOR

It wants to know what differences exist between defensive and offensive armaments, and whether it is possible to distinguish between commercial and military aeroplanes, and if so how the military value of commercial planes can be estimated in reckoning the strength of air forces.

It asks also what value should be accorded to commercial ships in appraising total naval forces.

REGIONAL PLANS

Finally, the preparatory commission will be asked to determine how far regional disarmaments can be realized once regional security is attained, or whether all plans for disarmament are doomed to failure unless they are of a general nature.

WILLIAM BAGLEY ASKS NEW TRIAL

Man Convicted of Robbery in Nanaimo Appeals to Minister of Justice

Twenty-five Irregularities at Trial Alleged; Appeal Before Court

Vancouver, Dec. 8.—A special petition to the Minister of Justice citing twenty-five alleged irregularities and asking for a new trial, with notification that an appeal will be brought before the Court of Appeal at the next sitting in Vancouver, has been filed on behalf of William Bagley, sentenced at Nanaimo in November to ten years and twenty lashes for participation in the $42,000 Nanaimo bank robbery last December.

Charges of misdirection by Mr. Justice Murphy and misconduct on the part of A. M. Johnson, K.C., are included in seventeen points on which the appeal will be based.

PUNISHMENT DEFERRED

The case will not come before the court until late in the Winter season. In the meantime Bagley is kept at Oakalla and the sentence of twenty lashes is deferred until the outcome of the appeal is known. His other companions, Stone, Castro, Gorman and Johnson, who have waived all right to appeal have been placed in the penitentiary to meet the full extent of the court's imposition.

Gordon Grant, associated with George E. Powell, will present the appeal on behalf of the convicted man.

LONG HEARING

The trial opened at 9.30 o'clock in the morning and continued through until midnight.

That fact is one of the grounds for appeal, counsel claiming undue prolongation of the hearing.

Mr. Grant also alleges the judge "over-awed" the jury by incorrectly

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COOLIDGE DECLARES FOR TAX REDUCTION

In Message to Congress He Urges U.S. Join the World Court

Washington, Dec. 8.—Renewing a number of recommendations he already had made to Congress, President Collidge, in his annual message transmitted to-day to the House and Senate, outlined a comprehensive legislative programme dealing with pressing domestic and international problems. His suggestions included:

Tax reduction along lines mapped out by the House Ways and Means Committee.

Adherence to the World Court.

Continued effort to strengthen aviation in the United States, without radical changes in the organization of the army and navy air services.

MERCHANT MARINE

Curtailment of the Shipping Board's powers, with the government fleet under the control of a single executive.

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Rudyard Kipling Is Gaining in His Fight For Health

Burwash, Sussex, Eng., Dec. 8.—A medical bulletin issued from Rudyard Kipling's home at noon to-day said the author, who is suffering from bronchial pneumonia, had another good night, and was maintaining his improved condition.

ITALIAN SENATE VOTES DEBT PLAN

Rome, Dec. 8.—The Italian Senate to-day ratified the Italian United States Debt Funding Accord, and also the $100,000,000 loan arranged with the Morgan firm by Finance Minister Volpi during his American trip

CRAFT SEIZED AND TWO MEN ARRESTED

U.S. Guards Say They Found Liquor Aboard Sea Hawk in Gray's Harbor

Aberdeen, Wash., Dec. 8—Two hundred and sixty cases of Canadian whisky and gin were seized and two men giving their names as J. D. Hart and John Berg were arrested last night when Westport coastguards, led by Captain H. J. Persson, captured the fishing vessel Sea Hawk as she was crossing the Gray's Harbor bar.

Captain Persson expressed the belief the Sea Hawk, a 32-foot fishing smack, had lifted the contraband cargo from a larger ship beyond the bar, as she is too small a boat to run liquor all the way from British Columbia.



BAGOT VOTERS SEND LIBERAL TO OTTAWA

G. D. Morin Wins By-election in Quebec With Majority of Over 470

Hon. Andre Fauteux, Former Solicitor-General, Meets Defeat

Actonvale, Que., Dec. 8—G. D. Morin, Liberal, a notary of St. Pie, will represent the Bagot, Quebec, constituency in the House of Commons, having been elected yesterday to fill the vacancy in that riding caused by the death of J. E. Marcile, Liberal, who won the seat in the general election of October 29. Mr. Morin defeated Hon. Andre Fauteux, Conservative, the majority on the count at present standing at 473 votes.

It is thought the final figures will not be available until late to-night or to-morrow, many points in the county, which is entirely rural, being very difficult to reach owing to the bad roads.

The victory was celebrated by the Liberals last night, the demonstration continuing till an early hour this morning.

The successful candidate, as was expected, had the greatest victory in his home town, where he increased the Liberal majority of the general election by 78.

Mr. Marcile there received 503 votes, as against Mr. Morin's 581.

In the town of Actonvale Mr. Morin had a majority of 82. In the recent general election Mr. Marcile received 278 votes more than his Conservative opponent.

LIVELY CONTEST

Not in a long time has so spectacular a by-election been waged in Quebec. On every hand there was intense fighting.

"It was the dirtiest campaign ever waged in this country," said Mr. Morin.

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"WATER FOR ALL AT FAIR PRICE" GOVERNS MEASURE

Private Bills Committee Emphatically Refuses to Admit Exclusive Rights

The Private Bills Committee of the Legislature this morning held open discussions on proposed amendments to Victoria's Private Act validating the Esquimalt Waterworks expropriation, General Victor Odlum resisting the insistent appeals of Reeve Matheson for exclusive use of Goldstream water in Esquimalt and Victoria West, struck the keynote of the proceedings when he asserted "We will not recognize any restrictions whatever. Assuming your claim of a statutory right to be well founded, this committee by its recommendation will certainly wipe it out. We recognize no monopoly in water."

Addressing all the interests represented, General Odlum declared: "We are determined to give you an adequate supply of water at a fair price, beyond that we will not go."

Chairman Perry reminded those present that the committee had gone into the question very thoroughly, and were satisfied that the Bill, as amended, will deprive Esquimalt of nothing.

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BIG COTTON CROP LOWERS U.S. PRICES

New York, Dec. 8. — Cotton broke $2.50 to $3 a bale in New York to-day following the increase in the Government's crop report to 15,603,000 bales, indicating the second largest United States yield on record.

FOUND MUCH TO CENSURE IN U.S.



Rev. Canon W. Hartley Carnegie of Westminster Abbey has just returned to London after a tour in the United States. He declares the republic is becoming a "monkey house." He believes the rise of the divorce evil may mean the end of the country's civilization.

SEARCH FOR HEIR LEADS TO CEMETERY, BUT CLUE IS WRONG

Returned Soldier Buried at Ross Bay is Person Other Than Sought

The search for the missing and sole heir to the titles, estates and other wealth of the Dukedom of Sutherland and the Earldom of Granville in Scotland, led to-day to the soldiers' corner in Ross Bay cemetery where is buried Mark Leveson Gower.

The records in the vital statistics registrar's office in the Parliament Buildings, however, indicated that below the simple headstone at Ross Bay there did not rest the remains of the young man who came to Canada in 1919 and for trace of whom the estate is spending a fortune to find as he is the last surviving male of the family and the last hope the aristocratic family has of perpetuating its name.

The records reveal that it is Mark S. Fraser Gower, who is buried in the soldiers' plot. He died here on April 3, 1921, of injuries received during the war. This Mr. Gower, however, it is revealed was a relative of the missing heir, although he did not use a hyphen in his name.

Dr. Hudson, whose son in North Vancouver, first directed the search to Victoria, attended Mr. Gower.

It was explained that the man buried in Ross Bay was about forty years of age, and not twenty-nine or thirty, as the missing heir is supposed to be. Mr. Gower was in Vic-

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HIGHER SHINGLE TARIFF IS URGED

Washington, Dec. 8—Representative Johnson, Republican, of Washington, introduced a bill to-day to raise the tariff on cedar shingles to sixty cents.

Man Found Guilty of Embezzlement

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 8—John A. Bell, a coal operator, was found guilty to-day of embezzlement and misapplication of more than $600,000 of the funds of the closed Carnegie Trust Company, of which he was president. The charge grew out of the investigation of the affairs of the trust company, which closed last April by order of the state banking department.

VANCOUVER ELECTORS GO TO POLLS TO-MORROW

Vancouver, Dec. 8.—Vancouver electors will go to the polls to-morrow from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. to choose a mayor, six aldermen, four school trustees and three park commissioners.

The ratepayers will pass upon nine money by-laws calling for an expenditure of $1,300 000 and will decide whether, beginning in 1927, the mayor and aldermen will sit for two years in future. Whether a contributory pension scheme for the city's firemen and policemen will go into effect also will be decided

J. R. BOOTH DIED TO-DAY IN OTTAWA

Members of Family About Him in Ontario Home When End Came

Leader in Lumber Industry Was Nearly Ninety-nine Years of Age

Ottawa, Dec. 8—John Rudolphus Booth died here at 3.15 p.m. to-day.

The Grand Old Man of the Ottawa Valley, dean of Canadian lumbermen and a pioneer of the industry in the Dominion, was in his ninety-ninth year.

Death came quietly at 3.15 this afternoon at his residence here.

No serious illness blighted his last days. In fact, his illness was never of a positive nature, but he became gradually weaker until Saturday last, when he lapsed into a semi-conscious condition from which he never fully recovered. His brothers and sister, sons, daughter and several grandchildren were at his bedside during the last hours.

On Saturday morning he was able to talk to his family and for a short time each day he sat up in his room.

Princess Erick of Denmark, his favorite grand-child, was the only member of his family unable to be at his bedside.

LIFE OF ROMANCE

The life of "J.R." as he was familiarly known, was one rich in the romance of industry and in hard and ungrudging work. He was the owner of the largest timber limits in the Empire, the creator of a great fortune, and the founder of an industry which ranks among the foremost of its kind in the world.

Burial will take place in the Booth plot in Beechwood Cemetery, Ottawa, but the date of the funeral has not yet been announced.

John Rudolphus Booth, born in Waterloo, Shefford County, Quebec, April 5, 1827, a son of John and Helen Rowley Booth, came and settled in Ottawa in 1857. He commenced his industrial career in that year by renting a small shingle mill

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HAMILTON TO HAVE NO STREET CARS

Company's Reply to Refusal of Ontario Citizens to Buy System

Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 8.—Hamilton's street car service will be discontinued at midnight Thursday. The Hamilton Street Railway Company's announcement to this effect to-day was in answer to the defeat of two proposed by-laws in yesterday's civic election.

One was for the purchase forthwith of the street car system by the city, and the other for an agreement with the city providing for the right of purchase at the end of three years. Both were decisively turned down by the electors.

A special meeting of the City Council has been summoned for to-morrow evening to seek a loophole out of the situation which has arisen and which threatens to leave the city without adequate transit service.

SHIPS GO TO AID DRIFTING FREIGHTER

Hope to Tow West O'Rowa From South of Aleutians to U.S. Coast

Portland, Ore., Dec. 8.—The steamship West Holbrook, en route from Portland to the Far East, has been ordered to proceed to the relief of the steamship West O'Rowa, which has been drifting helpless several days on the Pacific south of the Aleutian Islands. The West Holbrook will aid the steamship Dewey, which failed in attempts to tow the West O'Rowa.

One of the vessels is expected to tow the West O'Rowa and the other is expected to travel at the end of a line astern to steer the disabled ship.

The West Holbrook is expected to reach the West O'Rowa Wednesday or Thursday morning.

TOWING GEAR

The West Cadron, West Nomentum and West Niger, all bound from Portland for Oriental ports and all within a few days' steaming of the West O'Rowa, are being ordered by the Columbia Pacific Shipping Company, their operator, to proceed to the West O'Rowa and deliver to Capt. Robert Wilson, the disabled steamship's master, such towing gear as he deems necessary. The three vessels are from 500 to 1,100 miles from the West O'Rowa.

CONSERVATIVES ARE CRUSHED IN HECTIC ALL-NIGHT BATTLE TO WRECK OLIVER GOVERNMENT

"I'll Break the Government!" Pooley Shouts as He Keeps House Wrangling Over Minor Estimates Until 4.25 This Morning in Supreme Effort to Smash Administration on University Costs; Weary Legislators Reply With Big Majorities for Premier.

The Provincial Legislature adjourned in utter weariness at 4.25 this morning after listening grimly all night to R. H. Pooley's supreme but futile attempt to smash the Oliver Government.

"I'm after big game to-night—I'll break the Government before I'm through!" Mr. Pooley shouted as he asked the House to refuse to vote Premier Oliver's salary, but all he was able to break in eight solid hours' wrangling was the customary bedtime hours of the members. Division after division, forced by the Opposition, resulted in sweeping victories for the Government until finally the Conservatives settled down to a process of persistent nagging which would have been going on yet, judging by all indications, if Major R. J. Burde, of Alberni, had not come to the rescue. The Major listened to the all-night debate on estimates until a quarter to four, when he spoke for forty minutes and threatened to talk until breakfast-time. In face of this possibility the Government at last called an adjournment.

Last night's battle was the Conservative Party's anticipated "master stroke," which had been rumored for days in advance. Its hopeless failure convinced the House that it was useless to attempt to dislodge the Government at this session. All independent members but two Provincials supported the Government in every one of the numerous divisions called by Mr. Pooley, despite everything the Opposition Leader and his supporters could say about the administration. The usual vote was 27 to 19, but it varied as members paired off, abandoned the fight and went to bed.

The Pooley master stroke, by which the Conservatives hoped to shatter the Government, was a typewritten statement declaring that the Premier had lost the confidence of the House by his handling of the British Columbia University building finances. Mr. Pooley's statement asserted that the Premier had "deliberately usurped" the rights of the Legislature by writing to the E. J. Ryan Contracting Company while the House was sitting and promising it that its bill would be paid when the House voted the necessary money. Thus, Mr. Pooley charged, the Premier had broken the constitution and was not fit to hold office. The Premier briefly denied this charge and left the issue to the House, which sustained him handsomely.

Launching his attack at 11.30 Mr. Pooley wrangled over points of order and matters of procedure well into the morning until finally the question of the Premier's salary was settled. Then the Opposition took each vote as it came up and argued it hour after hour. At one stage Mr. Pooley's tactics placed his followers in the extraordinary position of voting to refuse payment of their own indemnities. Knowing, however, that they were beaten on this question in advance, the Conservative members cheerfully recorded their desire to wipe out the allowance for sessional indemnities.

BURDE TO THE RESCUE

By half-past three this morning the House was listening to the Opposition protesting solemnly against the payment of $150 in traveling ex-

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COUNCIL ACCEPTS SCHEME FOR MOSUL

League Body Agrees With World Court it Should Settle the Dispute

Geneva Dec. 8.—The League of Nations Council to-day voted unanimously to accept the opinion of the permanent Court of International Justice putting the Mosul dispute between Great Britain and Turkey before the Council for decision. Turkey voted against acceptance, but the Turkish vote, like the British, was not counted.

Geneva, Dec. 8.—The sub-committee of the League of Nations Council which has been studying the Mosul problem, embodying a dispute between Britain and Turkey, has not yet been able to reach a decision, it is learned authoritatively.

The present deadlock in the sub-committee is regarded as indicating the difficulty the Council may have in reaching its eventual decision, which, under a ruling of the World Court, requires a unanimous vote, with Great Britain and Turkey as the interested parties abstaining.

Coolidge Returns To Washington

Washington, Dec. 8—President Coolidge and Mrs. Coolidge returned to Washington to-day from Chicago, where the President yesterday addressed a meeting of the American Farm Bureau Federation.

U.S. IMMIGRANTS IN OCTOBER 28,685

Washington, Dec. 8.—The number of immigrants admitted to the United States during October was placed by Commissioner-General Hull to-day at 28,685, while 19,427 tourists, business visitors and other aliens classed as non-immigrants, also were passed into the country.

Germany was the source of the greatest immigrant flow from the Old World, 5,459 of her citizens having entered.

Deportations, Commissioner Hull added, had set a new record during recent months, amounting to 3,623 between July 1 and October 31.

Dramatists Oppose New W. Fox Scheme

New York, Dec. 8—Leading New York dramatists took definite steps at a meeting yesterday to protect themselves and the play market against the menace they saw in the efforts of William Fox Inc., motion picture producers, to form an alliance with New York producers by financing the production of plays. The authors interpret Fox's action as an attempt to corner the play market and bring the legitimate stage under the dominatoin of the motion picture interests.

HANGED BERLINER NEEDED NO AID

Berlin, Dec. 8.—Several chauffeurs, returning to a garage here last night, found a brother chauffeur had hanged himself from a beam because of unrequited love. They immediately cut down the body, which they placed in an automobile and sped off for a hospital.

On the way, the would-be suicide suddenly regained consciousness, knocked down those who were trying to aid him, jumped from the auto and ran home.

FRANCE IS TO SEND BERENGER TO U.S.

His Appointment as Ambassador Approved by Council of Ministers

Paris, Dec. 8—The appointment of Senator Victor Henry Berenger as French Ambassador to the United States was approved to-day by the Council of Ministers.

Senator Berenger is expected to leave in the near future to relieve M. Daeschner, present ambassador in Washington. The new Ambassador will have his appointment renewed every six months, as is customary in the cases of members of Parliament sent abroad on diplomatic missions.

The Senator ranked next to Finance Minister Caillaux on the French debt funding mission to Washington.

SIR HALL CAINE WRITING BOOK ON LIFE OF CHRIST

Greebe Castle, Isle of Man, Dec. 8—Sir Hall Caine is in Palestine, where he is writing a book on the life of Christ. It is not expected he will return home until next Spring.



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NO LIQUOR AT BANQUETS

Aberdeen, Scotland, Dec. 8 (Canadian Press Cable).—The Glasgow City Council recently banned the use of intoxicants at civic functions, and now Aberdeen has followed Glasgow's lead by declaring that at civic ceremonies in future liquor will be prohibited.

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First Klan Wedding To be Staged Here

Plans are going ahead for staging the first Ku Klux Klan wedding ceremony in Canada in Victoria about the middle of January, it was learned to-day.

Kleagle Capt. Leycock, when asked about reported developments, admitted that the wedding ceremony would be staged in connection with the Ku Klux Klan demonstration and British Columbia Klan inaugural which is to take place here about January 15. The Imperial Potentate, the Exalted Cyclops and other high officers at the Imperial Palace in Vancouver will bring a contingent of Klansmen to Victoria for the affair, the Kleagle said.

The Kleagle admitted that a young man and woman of this city were now preparing themselves to be married at the Klan demonstration. "It is no mock marriage or anything like that," the Kleagle explained. "It is to be a fully legal affair. The Klan marriage ceremony is most impressive and wonderful. It will be performed openly for the crowd to see."

TWO BEREAVEMENTS IN FERNIE FAMILY

Fernie, Dec. 8.—Mrs. G. G. Henderson of this city, died suddenly in the Fernie Hospital just shortly after noon yesterday, following a heart attack precipitated by the news her eldest son, Jack, was seriously ill in New Westminster and not expected to recover.

Later news of Jack Henderson's death came, but it was not communicated at once to Mr. Henderson, who had collapsed on learning his wife had died.

The Hendersons are well-known old-timers of this city, having resided here almost continuously since 1898. Mr. Henderson served as mayor of Fernie for five consecutive terms prior to retirement from public life a year ago.

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PREPARES DATA ON CITY'S FINANCIAL STANDING TO-DAY

Eastern Papers Show Interest in Capital City of British Columbia

Publicity Bureau Writer Gathers Interesting Information

Victoria's financial position where it is paying as it goes, doing a little new work every year and paying for it out of revenue is the subject of an interesting article by Frank Gioima, writer for the Victoria and Island Publicity Bureau. Mr. Gioima prepared the article in an answer to several requests from Eastern financial and other papers interested in the city's financial policy, but it will be read with equal interest by local people. The article reads:—

"Naturally Victoria felt the effects of the wave of immigration that swept over Western Canada from 1908 to 1914 and also experienced the resultant healthy increase and then inflation of realty prices. But one must never forget, however, that when the outbreak of the Great War in 1914 put a speedy and effectual quietus on the whole movement, Victoria, besides a civic indebtedness of over $17,000,000, had also taken advantage of the prevailing optimism and had installed a water supply at a cost of $2,800,000, capable of serving 500,000 people, seventy-two miles of paved streets, sixty-five miles of tree-shaded boulevards, 134 miles of cement sidewalks, and had built private houses and business blocks and offices that placed her in the position of being the most modern city of her size on the whole continent.

TAKES STOCK

"During hostilities and for some time after, the moratorium tied the hands of the civic authorities, but just as soon as it was lifted, the city council began to take stock of Victoria's financial position. Some ten thousand or more people had left during the war, many of these having been killed in action. A large percentage of these people had bought Victoria real estate not with any intention of utilizing the land, but simply as an investment or speculation. Now they had left the city, severed all connection with it, and were confronted with four or five years accumulated taxes and at the same time discovered that their holdings were unsaleable at anything like the prices they had given for them. A very great number of them therefore decided to cut their losses and let the city take their property. Consequently, between 1916-1924 city lands to the assessed value of $3,768,680 reverted to the city and therefore no longer paid taxes.

DIFFICULTIES MET

"The good, sound work of the city councils elected in 1922 and succeeding years up to the present time is to-day clearly apparent. The policy that has been pursued can be briefly summarized as follows: The meeting of all current expenditure out of current revenue; the desertion of the single tax theory, the levying of a tax on 33 1-3 per cent., and now 50 per cent. of the assessed value of improvements; the reduction of the total assessed value of taxable land from $89,000,000 to $30,000,000; the instituting of a system of advance payment of taxes on which 6 per cent. is paid the property owner instead of going to the bank for this accommodation; the re-organization of the debenture sinking fund and finally the organization of a special department to sell the reverted city lots.

REDUCTION OF DEBT

"Under this policy, total current borrowings have been reduced from $1,060,000 in 1923 to $850,000 in 1924, and $730,000 in 1925. During the last eight years the city has added $1,077,517.87 to her permanent street improvements, has built the Johnson Street bridge and extension at a cost to the city of $705,000, nd has contributed $225,000 to the construction of the new Jubilee Hospital—a total capital expenditure of $2,007,517.87. In spite of this large expenditure the total debt, minus sinking funds on hand, has been reduced from $16,677,452.55 at January 1, 1917, to $14,959,578.75 at the present time a reduction of $1,717,873.80.

AUCTION SALE

"While the sales campaign of reverted city real estate is mentioned last, probably it comes first in order of importance. Over 75 per cent. of city revenue is derived from real estate and it must therefore be quickly seen that if the public look askance at property and refuse to hold and own it, it becomes impossible for the city to raise the necessary revenue, and also as the same amount of revenue must be raised, the smaller the number of lots paying taxes the greater must be the mill rate. And again the greater the mill rate the greater the number of lots that revert. It is therefore obvious that the key to the whole situation is the getting back of the reverted lands into private ownership.

"After carefully considering the situation in the Spring of 1925, the City of Victoria decided to test out the market by holding a well-advertised auction sale of a certain number of reverted lands. This auction was held at the end of August, and all the lots offered were sold, a large number to people from California and other American States. The total price obtained was $149,000, all of which is to be used to help reduce taxation and of course at the same time the lots sold re-enter the taxpaying class and therefore reduce to a certain extent, the amount levied against the rest of the privately-owned property. But the effect of this auction did not stop there. Almost immediately after it, interest began to be shown in privately-owned real estate and it has been asserted that more sales have been made during the few months since the auction sale in August than were made during the previous five years.

The assessed value of properties sold by the city in 1925, including the auction sale just referred to, is over $600,000, or nearly 20 per cent. of the amount in the city's hands, and further sales are now being made practically every day. And so, far from showing any signs of decreasing, the demand for Victoria property is to-day strengthening and properties are quickly changing hands at fair prices for which no buyer could be found a few months ago, and for the first time since the war the assessed value of property sold by the City Land Department and put back on the tax rolls is this year greater than the assessed value of the properties which have fallen into the city's hands through the tax sale.

BETTER BASIS

"In view of the success of this initial effort, the city of Victoria is to-day organizing a bigger reverted lands sales campaign and, as unquestionably people are coming to reside in Victoria in increasing numbers, business is on a better basis than it has been since the war and industry and marine activities in the city all show steady expansion. Any man of average business intelligence will realize that within a very short time reverted lands in Victoria will be a thing of the past and the unquestioned opportunities many of them offer to-day to the careful buyer will have gone for ever.

D. A. Macdonald, the City Comptroller, in commenting on the City Council's policy of "Pay as You Go," says: "The City Council has pursued for the last two or three years the very wise policy of doing a little new work every year, and paying for it out of revenue. As a result of this policy, in the normal course of events there should be no need for further borrowing for many years to come."

OPPOSITION'S "MASTER STROKE" COLLAPSES IN B.C. LEGISLATURE

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penses to a statistician in the Agricultural Department. At this point Major Burde became bored. He moved that the committee on estimates rise but the Government refused to accept this motion. Thus challenged, the major launched into one of his pet subjects—potato bugs and other insects. He talked for about half an hour on the habits of codlin moths, and worked himself up into lofty flights of oratory on the cruelty of potato bugs, which preyed on grasshopper eggs. When the Major remarked that he was just beginning and that he intended to talk until 6 a.m. at the earliest, the Government finally moved for adjournment.

What the Conservatives' plan was in keeping the House in session most of the night was not clear at first but the Government refused to call for adjournment so long as its estimates were being held up for purely strategic reasons. It is generally understood among politicians to-day, however, that Mr. Pooley was attempting by his tactics to demonstrate to the Conservative Party that he should be made its permanent leader. Apparently the Opposition plan was to head off the expected re-entry of W. J. Bowser into politics and prevent him accepting the demands of many Conservatives that he become their leader once more.

ROLLING CONSERVATIVES

Last night's battle obviously was designed also to overcome the unfavorable impression created by the breaks in the Opposition ranks noted in the last week when Mr. Pooley's stand on important questions was rejected by two different Conservative members. This morning the net result of the night's proceedings appeared to be a feeling of utter weariness in the corridors of the Parliament Buildings.

Members were hoping this afternoon that Mr. Pooley would not stage another demonstration to-night and it was admitted that if last night's tactics were continued the House could not possibly adjourn by Christmas, as only ten votes were passed last night. From the Conservative Rooms, however, came no inkling of the Opposition Party's next master stroke.

GUERILLA WARFARE

The Opposition, which had been conducting guerilla warfare on all Government legislation during the evening finally bared its plan to wreck the Government just before midnight when the House went into committee to consider estimates. First of all Mr. Pooley objected to the Government asking the House to consider the second appropriation in the estimates—a vote of $127,000 to cover the indemnities of the members of the House. Mr. Pooley insisted that the House proceed to the first vote—a sum covering public debt—where it ceased its previous budget discussion. After he had been beaten in his attempt and the House proceeded to the vote for members' indemnities, Mr. Pooley rose and asked leave to read a lengthy typewritten statement which lay on his desk before him. The House sat up and waited for the Conservative bomb to explode.

Mr. Pooley started by referring to the investigations of the Public Accounts Committee into University expenses and what it had revealed. He had barely got under way before Hon. J. D. MacLean, Minister of Finance, was on his feet declaring that the statement was absolutely out of order.

RULED OUT OF ORDER

After some wrangling H. G. Perry, who was in the chair, ruled Mr. Pooley out of order. Mr. Pooley immediately appealed from Mr. Perry to the House. The Speaker was called in and Mr. Pooley assured him that his statement had been ruled out of order before the chairman had understood its significance. When the division was called—the first of the lengthy series during the evening—the Liberal Party voted solidly to sustain the chairman's ruling and was supported by Messrs. Neelands, Browne and Uphill, Labor; Stoddard, Provincial, and Major R. J. Burde, Independent. Messrs Walkem and Greery, Provincial, voted with the Opposiiton. The vote was 27 to 19 to sustain the chairman.

No sooner had this been decided than Mr. Pooley was on his feet again reading his statement. Dr. MacLean objected just as promptly. Mr. Perry said he had not heard enough yet to rule on Mr. Pooley's stand, and he listened patiently to a little more of the Opposition Leader's statement. Attorney-General Manson intervened then by quoting the rules of the House which prevent a member from indulging in "tedious repetition." He said Mr. Pooley was merely repeating the statement already ruled out.

"I am going to show why they are not fit to occupy their positions and not entitled to their indemnities," Mr. Pooley declared. "I insist on making myself clear."

"A lot of people here think they're entitled to their indemnities," interjected Major Burde. "If the Leader of the Opposition doesn't think he's entitled to his let him resign."

Once mode Mr. Pooley embarked on the reading of his statement.

HALT IS CALLED

This time it was Premier Oliver who called a halt. He declared that ample opportunity would be provided to challenge ministers' salaries when items covering them came up. Meanwhile, he charged, Mr. Pooley was simply adopting obstruction tactics.

Mr. Pooley replied that the Premier's indemity was included in the general vote covering indemnities, and he had a right to discuss it immediately.

Finally after more wrangling between Mr. Pooley and the Government, Mr. Perry again ruled the Opposition Leader out of order.

Mr. Pooley leaned over his desk toward Mr. Perry and said solemnly: "Do I understand then that I cannot discuss the conduct of any minister on this vote?" And as he uttered this demand he brought his fist down on his desk with a loud crash.

"Don't break the desk!" shouted a voice from the end of the Chamber.

"I'll break the desk and I'll break something else before I'm through!" Mr. Pooley shouted back excitedly, waving his hands in the air. "Before I'm through I'll break the Government!" I'm after big game to-night!"

This declaration was greeted with a deafening burst of laughter and derisive applause from the Government benches and enthusiastic approval from the Conservative side of the Chamber.

After the excitement had subsided Mr. Perry told Mr. Pooley that he could not rule on his hypothetical question. He assured him, however, that he would have full freedom to discuss the matters he was interested in as the various votes came up. He asked Mr. Pooley to show him the last part of his written statement so he could rule on it intelligently. This Mr. Pooley flatly refused to do, declaring that he would stay all night if necessary. He again appealed from Mr. Perry's decision to the House. Dr. MacLean promptly objected that there could not be two appeals on the same question at one sitting.

MEMBERS TIRED

"Well, you'd better serve tea," remarked Major Burde in a tired voice.

"Yes and get us in a few rolls of blankets," agreed Thomas Uphill of Fernie, wearily.

"Well I'll give the House another chance," said Mr. Pooley finally, agreeing not to appeal Mr. Perry's decision again. He then read parts of his statement which he evidently felt would have a better chance than the others of being called in order. He pointed out that the Lieutenant-Governor in his Speech from the Throne at the opening of the House had called attention to the University over-commitments and foreshadowed legislation to cover the situation. Thus, Mr. Pooley, argued, the matter had been left entirely to the Legislature.

Even the Lieutenant-Governor, he said, had no right to issue special warrants for money during a session of the Legislature. But in face of that fact the Premier, on November 3, after the House had assembled, had assumed greater powers than are even vested in His Honor by writing a letter to the University contractors promising them that their accounts would be paid when the money had been voted by the House. In this way, he charged, the Premier had "deliberately usurped" the rights and privileges of the Legislature.

VIOLATING RULES

Attorney-General again intervened to declare that Mr. Pooley was not even trying to keep within the rules of the House in dragging in this question.

Mr. Perry could not see, however, that Mr. Pooley was out of order "at the moment."

"Even His Honor has no right to issue a special warrant while the Legislature is in session," Mr. Pooley protested, "and yet the Premier went over his head of the Legislature in this way. In view of this fact I respectfully request that you, Mr. Chairman, formally draw the attention of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor to this exceedingly grave situation. Pending such action as His Honor may see fit to take in the premises, the members of His Majesty's loyal Opposition are in duty bound to take such constitutional means as are in their power to uphold the constitution and protect the rights of the people of the Province, and ask for the Premier's political head."

LAW VIOLATED

Action like that taken by the Premier, Mr. Pooley asserted, had never been heard of before. He quoted the Audit Act to prove that the Premier had violated the law in his letter to the University contractors.

Again a division was called, this time on the main question of whether the vote covering House indemnities should be approved. As the members filed in it suddenly occurred to the Opposition members that in voting against the appropriation they were voting to cut off their own salaries. H. D. Twigg, Conservative, Victoria, pointed out this and expressed anxiety, but as it was obvious that the Conservative motion would be defeated no member felt any real alarm.

The second division was like the first—27 in favor of the appropriation, 19 against, with all the cross-benchers, except Messrs. Creery and Walkem, supporting the Government. This definite decision in favor of the administration came precisely at the working hour of midnight.

No sooner had the vote been passed and the House been asked to consider an appropriation to cover the Premier's office, than Mr. Pooley was on his feet again with this cheering announcement for the tired members: "I propose to stay here all night and to-morrow if necessary." This was greeted with laughter from the Government benches, and Mr. Pooley added: "It may not be such a laughing matter when I get through."

To prove that the Premier's salary should not be voted Mr. Pooley started to read his statement again, and this time he read it clear through, quoting the contractors' letters at length.

PREMIER RETORTS

When he had finished reading his statement, which outlined the whole history of the University expenditures and the proceedings of the Public Accounts Committee on the matter, Premier Oliver rose to remark: "I wonder if he feels any better since he got that burden off his chest." He declared that Mr. Pooley was asking the House in committee to act unconstitutionally. He quoted May to prove that the House could not accept Mr. Pooley's request that the chairman inform the Governor of the Opposition's attitude.

Denying that he had acted in an unconstitutional manner in the University financing, the Premier quoted the Audit Act to which Mr. Pooley had referred. In this the Premier could find nothing to prevent him from writing his letter to the contractors, whether the House was in session or not.

"The Leader of the Opposition," he said, "talks the worst nonsense I have ever heard in this House.

"If the Legislature doesn't make provision for the payment of this money to the contractors it won't be paid. I didn't guarantee the payment of it. I have never heard anything so utterly weak as the Leader of the Opposition's argument to-night. I have nothing to fear and nothing to hide. If the members think I should be condemned for writing that letter I am willing to accept their judgment. I believe a majority are not so utterly prejudiced and their judgment so utterly warped by party considerations as to have lost their common sense, however."

He added that the Opposition should know that he had no power to commit the Province to any expenditure.

Mr. Pooley insisted that the Premier had said in his letter that he was issuing this statement "in lieu of cheques," and, in fact, the Ryan Contracting Company had financed on the strength of this assurance. In fact, he said, the Government had been forced to get the Ryan Company to finance it.

There was no evidence to show that the Ryan Company financed on the strength of the Premier's letters, H. F. Kergin, Liberal, Atlin, declared.

At last the House divided again on the Premier's salary. As the vote was being taken Major Burde remarked in a stage whisper "Why, the poor old man needs the money."

SPEAKER VOTES

The division was the same as those that preceded it except that Mr. Speaker Buckham, sitting in a private member's chair, voted with the Government, the result being 28 to 19 in favor of approving the salary appropriation.

Mr. Pooley promptly protested that Mr. Speaker had no right to vote, but Capt. Ian Mackenzie silenced him by quoting rules showing that when the House was in committee the Speaker could vote like a private member.

The Premier's salary approved, the Opposition settled down to a grim battle to run the House ragged. Next it assailed a vote covering the salary of Hon. E. D. Barrow, Minister of Agriculture, J. W. Jones of South Okanagan leading the attack. Mr. Jones declared that Mr. Barrow's management of the Sumas and other schemes had lost him the confidence of the Conservative members and that his salary should not be voted.

Discussion of the soldier settlement schemes under administration of Mr. Barrow led Col. Fred Lister, Conservative, Creston, to demand a statement as to whether or not the Minister intended to grant the Camp Lister settlers a reduced appraisal on their lands as he did to the Camp Merville settlers.

"If he'll make that statement now I'll help him get his salary," declared Col. Lister.

Mr. Barrow said he had already given that assurance and gladly repeated it, so when a motion to reduce the Minister's saalry by $500 was put by C. F. Davie, Col. Lister voted with the Government, the division being 26 to 16, three or four members having gone home.

PUBLISHERS MET IN CITY OF TACOMA

Tacoma, Dec. 2—With twenty-two newspaper publishers of the Northwest present, the Pacific Northwest Newspaper Association held its annual meeting here yesterday. President J. F. Young of Spokane presided.

The officers re-elected were J. F. Young, business manager, Spokane Spokesman Review, president; Frank J. Burd, business manager, Vancouver British Columbia Province, vice-president; S. R. Winch, business manager, Oregon Journal, Portland, treasurer.

The semi-annual meeting of the association will be held in Vancouver in April.

DO YOU MAKE HANDKERCHIEFS?

There are women who scorn needlework and who show a convenient lack of skill when it comes to darning husbandly socks, who have nevertheless taken up with the fad of making their own handkerchiefs. When they need new handkerchiefs they buy a few squares of colored linen, a yard or so of white handkerchief linen, a little pongee, georgette or printed silk, the selection all depending on what sort of handkerchief is needed.

For evening wear handkerchiefs of georgette are worn—or rather carried. Those of white georgette trimmed with black lace are very smart. For sport wear printed silk is a favorite selection, and for outing wear masculine-looking pongee handkerchiefs are selected, and these are made larger than regulation women's handkerchiefs—more the size of what are called boys' handkerchiefs. For everyday wear linen handkerchiefs are worn either with cotton and other wash frocks, or with dark materials. They may be white or colored, with matching or contrasting stitchery.

Some women who liked colored handkerchiefs, choose one color and stick to it, using the color as trimming on white ground for the frocks with which the color in question would not go. For instance, suppose you go in for blue. You can choose blue for your handkerchief color. A blue handkerchief looks well with tan, grey, white, mauve or pink, so you have a good color range to choose from in the frocks with which you can carry the blue handkerchief. They look well with brown, with white, with blue, with brown. And any colored handkerchief looks well with black. If, having chosen yellow for your handkerchief color, you have a pink frock, you can have a white handkerchief with yellow corners embroidered in rose to wear with the pink frock.

Mayors Elected In Ontario Cities

Toronto, Dec. 8.—In the civic elections in Ontario the following were chosen as mayors:

Ottawa—Mayor J. P. Balharrie, acclamation.

Pembroke—J. P. Duff.

Woodstock—Ald. B. Parker.

Brockville—W. B. Reynolds.

North Bay—D. Barker.

Kingston—T. B. Angrov.

Belleville—R. J. Graham.

Brantford—J. A. Slemin.

Chatham—A. Thompson.

London—J. H. Moore.

Hamilton—F. F. Treleaven.

REEVE OF OAK BAY IS MARRIED

Miss Annie Brooker and Herbert Anscomb United To-day

St. Mary's Church, Oak Bay, was the scene of a very quiet wedding this morning at 9 a.m., when the marriage was solemnized between Annie M. ("Birdie") Brooker and Herbert Anscomb, Reeve of Oak Bay municipality. Only the intimate relatives of the parties being present.

On their return from the honeymoon they will reside on Newport Avenue, Oak Bay.

VARIETY IN POTATO SALAD

Potato salad is occasionally delicious. It can be made in various ways. One way is to slice the new potatoes, boiled just until done, very thin, and to flavor them slightly with onion, then to dress them with oil and vinegar and to serve with mayonnaise on lettuce. Another way is to mix the potatoes, diced, with half their quantity of diced celery and plenty of mayonnaise. Diced green pepper, about a cup to four cups of diced potatoes, makes another good addition to potato salad. One hard-boiled egg for each potato, mixed with French dressing, and served on crisp watercress, gives another good variety of potato salad.

Sardine salad can be temptingly combined with potato salad. Get the boned and skinned fishes, and arrange three on each plate, in a big, crisp, white lettuce leaf. Squeeze some lemon juice over each and in a small lettuce leaf at the side of the big one serve a big spoon of mayonnaise with a stuffed olive on top. Add a spoon of potato salad.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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The Princess Maquinna will leave Victoria at 11 p.m. on the 1st, 11th and 21st of each month. Effective October 1. •••

Winter Schedule to Gulf Islands—The S.S. Otter will leave Victoria every Monday at 7.15 a.m., returning to Victoria Tuesday evening and leave again every Wednesday at 8 a.m. for Ganges Harbor, proceeding to Vancouver Thursday, and returning arrive Victoria Saturday afternoon. •••

Burrough's Adding Machine of Canada Limited have opened an office at 303 Central Bldg. Mr. A. E. Spranga will have charge of the Victoria office. •••

Tuesday, December 8, 8 p.m., Congregational Church, Quadra and Pandora, lecture, "This Year's Longest Step Towards International Understanding and Goodwill," by Lindley Crease, K.C. Auspices of Ladies' Auxiliary to Y.M.C.A. Admission 25 cents. •••

Onwego Sixth Annual Concert, Tuesday, December 8, 1925, 8.15 p.m. A musical treat; proceeds for Christmas hampers; First Church schoolroom, Quadra and Balmoral Rd. Admission 50c. •••



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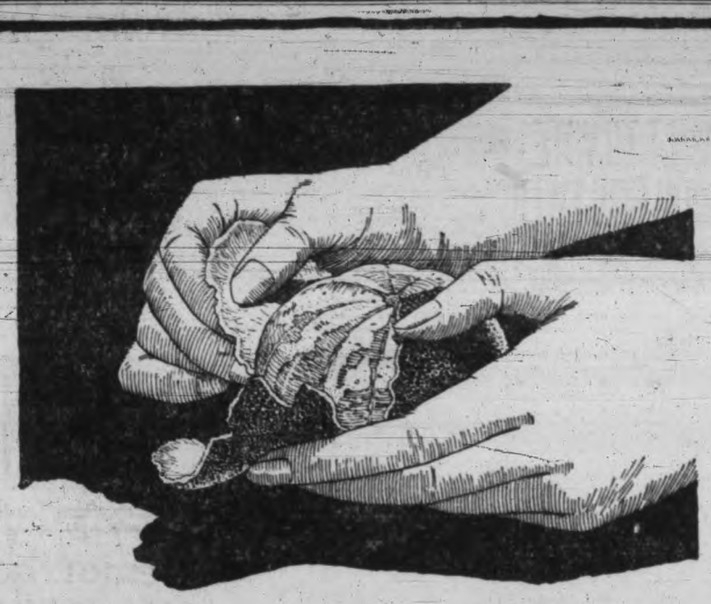
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CONCERT TO RAISE CHRISTMAS FUNDS

Onwegos Arrange Attractive Programme For To-night

A splendid programme has been arranged for the sixth annual concert to be held in the hall of the First United Church to-night under the auspices of the Onwego Young Men's Bible Class for the purpose of securing funds for Christmas hampers.

Several well-known artists will contribute including Mrs. D. D. McTavish, Miss Beth Simpson, Miss Mary Bucklin, Drury Pryce, Leon U. Conyers and W. A. Pickard.

The programme is as follows:

Introductory remarks, Rev. W. G. Wilson, D.D.

Song—(a) "Spring's Awakening," Wilfrdi Sanderson; (b) "Before You Came," Bertrand-Brown; Miss Beth Simpson.

'Cello solo—Concertino, Op. 7, Klengel; (a) Andante; (b) Rondo vivace; Miss Mary Bucklin.

Song—(a) "Homing," Del-Riego; (b) "Just Her Way," G. Aitken; Miss Mabel Humphries.

Violin solo—"Kol-Nidrei," (Hebrew Melody) Bruch; Drury Pryce.

Song—(a) "Parted," Tosti; (b) "I Wept, Beloved, as I Dreamed," Hue; Leon U. Conyers.

Reading—"How the La Rue Stakes Were Lost," Anon; Miss Gladys Davies.

Pianoforte selection—(a) "Finlandia," Jean Sibellius; (b) "Hungarian Etude," Edward MacDowell; John Moss.

Song—(a) "The Boat Song," Harriet Ware; (b) "Daffodil Gold," Hodgson; Mrs. D. D. McTavish.

Song—(a) "The Yeoman's Wedding," Ponia Tokski; (b) "O Dry Those Tears" (with violin obligato) Del Riego; W. A. Pickard.

Violin solo—(a) "Lullaby," Cyril Scott; (b) "Menuet," Mozart; Drury Pryce; accompanist, Miss Jessie Smith.

SEARCH FOR HEIR LEADS TO CEMETERY BUT CLUE IS WRONG

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toria branch of the Dominion Savings Bank until shortly before his death, when he became too ill to work. He left a wife and two children, who are now living at 2945 Colquitz Avenue.

At Dr. Hudson's home it was explained this afternoon that the late Mr. Gower's father and mother are still living, so that besides the difference in the ages, would make it impossible for him to be the missing heir for which Mr. Carr-Dodge, the London solicitor, has hunted half the world for, and whose quest in British Columbia as the last resort has now ended in disappointment.

Frank Cameron came forword with information to-day that he knew of Leveson-Gower, who, he thinks, might be the Angus Neill Charles Leveson-Gower who is sought. He thinks that there might be a possibility of tracing this man. Mr. Cameron said he is certain the man in Ross Bay Cemetery is not the one who is wanted.

WILLIAM BAGLEY ASKS NEW TRIAL

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stating that the "people of British Columbia had brought this man to the bar," and demanded justice instead of quoting the prosecutor as "Our Sovereign Lord the King."

It is claimed the prosecutor, Mr. Johnson, was unfair in his comment on the evidence of witnesses and omitted to make clear certain testimony in favor of the accused man.

It is further alleged the judge did not cite the law correctly with respect to corroboration of an alibi.

J. R. BOOTH DIED TO-DAY IN OTTAWA

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on the bank of the Ottawa River near the Chaudiere Falls. From that modest start Mr. Booth gradually increased the size of the plant until to-day it stands as one of the largest and most modern of its kind in the world. Pulp and paper were added to the industry of the mills and more than 2,000 employees are engaged in the manufacture of its products.

Mr. Booth built the Canada Atlantic Railway, which included the Ottawa, Arnprior and Parry Sound Railway, in all 400 miles of main line track and 100 miles of sidings. He also owned and operated a line of steamships from Depot Harbor, Georgian Bay, to Chicago, Milwaukee and Duluth. One of the remarkable things in his railroad enterprises was, that there was only $2,000,000 of bonds sold to the public, showing the confidence the banks had in him.

SOLD TO G.T.R.

In 1904 he sold his railroad holdings to the Grand Trunk Railway for $14,000,000.

It is told of John R. Booth that at one time, upon his visit to Canada, King George V., then the Duke of York, was his guest on a crib of square timber on its journey through the lumber sluices at Ottawa, and that he tendered the royal visitor a real shanty dinner of "pork and beans."

KNOWN AS "J.R."

"J. R." as the late Mr. Booth was generally known in Ottawa and to his associates throughout the country, was a prominent figure in Ottawa from its birth. He was particularly generous to the city and in the earlier days, when public money was not so plentiful, contributed largely towards the construction of utilities.

He was not a politician, but it is said that on one occasion he did exercise himself in that direction. That was in 1911, when, opposed to the proposed Taft-Fielding Reciprocity pact he addressed a large gathering of his employees from the top of a wood-pile in the Booth lumber yards.

John R. Booth was educated in the schools of Waterloo, Quebec, and worked on his father's farm until of age, when he hired as a carpenter on the Central Vermont Railway. In 1857 he made the move which identified him for so long with Ottawa.

MEMBER OF BOARDS

He was a director of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, president of the Dominion Nickel and Copper Company, and a director of the Canada Cement Company. He was one of the founders of St. Luke's Hospital, Ottawa, in 1897, and was the first and only president of its board of governors. He was a member of the Rideau Club and resided at 252 MetCalfe Street, Ottawa.

He is survived by two sons, Jackson C. and John Frederick Booth, both of whom are connected with the Booth plant, and one daughter, Mrs. A. W. Fleck of this city. A granddaughter, Lois, about a year ago was married to Prince Erik of Denmark.

MARRIED NEIGHBOR'S DAUGHTER

John Booth was of Irish descent. The young woman he married was the daughter of a neighboring family he came to know while growing up on his father's farm in Quebec. Deciding there was a larger future elsewhere than on the farm, he took his bride and his capital of six dollars and moved away, becoming a carpenter on the Stormont Railway. It was from there he went to Ottawa, where fortune awaited him.

His two brothers, including Colonel E. J. Booth of Burlington, Vt., and Mrs. Ora Craig, his constant companion and nurse for many years, were at Mr. Booth's bedside when the end came.

CANDIDATES FOR SCHOOL BOARD AT OAKLANDS MEETING

Residents of District Hear Views of Those Seeking Office

Candidates for the School Board addressed an interested meeting of the Oaklands Parent-Teacher Association held last night in St. Alban's Church Hall. There was a good attendance of residents of the district, the hall being well filled.

Walter M. Walker, J. L. Beckwith, C. E. Copeland, A. C. Pike, M. B. Wellburn and W. Ridgway-Wilson gave short talks, in which they presented their policies. Alex. Peden was unable to be present.

Before the meeting school children gave an appreciated musical programme.

COOLIDGE DECLARES FOR TAX REDUCTION

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Increased authority for the President and Departments of Commerce and Labor to deal with labor disputes in the coal industry.

Encouragement of co-operative marketing as an aid to agriculture.

The President devoted a section to the prohibition question, appealing for law observance by the public and vigorous action against violators by enforcement officials.

He also renewed his advocacy of railroad consolidations and development of inland waterways, recommended retention for the present of property seized from aliens during the war, reiterated that reorganization of government departments should be authorized, and declared states and local communities must co-operate more with the federal government in reclamation work.

FOREIGN RELATIONS

In a long discussion of foreign relations Mr. Coolidge made these assertions:

That the Locarno security agreements represent the success of the policy of having European countries settle their own political problem without involving the United States.

That reduction of land armaments not only is of prime importance, but a problem peculiarly European in its practical aspects, and that "our country would look with particular gratitude upon any action which those countries might take to reduce their own military forces."

That "the general policy of our country is for disarmament, and it ought not to hesitate to adopt any practical plan that might reasonably be expected to succeed. But it would not care to attend a conference which from its location or constituency would in all probability prove futile."

That United States participation in the World Court would not mean involvement in the League of Nations, but would "contribute greatly to the advancement of our ideals."

That debt settlements already negotiated "impose no undue burden, and are mutually beneficial," and that "every reasonable effort will be made to secure agreements for liquidation with the remaining countries."

"WATER FOR ALL AT FAIR PRICE" GOVERNS MEASURE

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Reeve Matheson then asked that industries in Esquimalt be allowed the same water rates as are accorded the Empress Hotel and certain golf links.

Protection of the sinking fund to be established to retire the Esquimalt Company's claims was debated at length, many minor points being objected to any sinking fund whatever, preferring that the half-yearly payents of $40,000 to be made by the city should apply, first, towards interest claims, and the remainder of over $18,000 half-yearly, to be placed directly to the reduction of the principal sum. This would automatically obtain for the city an interest earning of 5¼ per cent annually.

Frank Higgins urged that the city should be represented on the Trustee Board to handle this sinking fund, while C. L. Harrison objected that the Municipal Act would prevent investment of money in municipal bonds, and so lower the interest earnings.

The committee accepted several amendments to protect nearby municipalities in rates to be charged by Victoria for wholesale water supply, and will re-convene for public hearing at 10 o'clock on Thursday morning.

BRITISH COMMONS GIVES APPROVAL TO IRISH AGREEMENT

London, Dec. 8—The House of Commons to-day gave final approval to the bill to give effect to the new Irish agreement, passing it through its second and third readings this afternoon without a division.

EXPENSE OF SUMAS SCHEME NOT FIXED, BARROW DECLARES

Government Did Not Obligate Itself to Any Definite Sum, Minister Says

Farmers Declare Burden Placed Upon Them Too Great to Carry

That the Government never obligated itself to keep the cost of the Sumas Reclamation scheme down to any set amount was the testimony of Hon. E. D. Barrow, Minister of Agriculture, before the Agricultural Committee of the Legislature to-day when members re-assembled after their long sitting last night to investigate Sumas costs further.

"There was no definite certainty about the cost at any time," Mr. Barrow declared. "It was pointed out by the Government that the figure of $1,800,000 to cover the scheme was only an engineer's estimate and didn't obligate the Government to any guaranteed, set amount."

The committee was informed of the minutes of a meeting between the Sumas land owners and Premier Oliver and Mr. Barrow when the Sumas scheme was up for final decision. These minutes stated that the Premier, in addressing the owners, "denied any implication that the Government was behind the scheme, saying that they (the owners) should understand very clearly that the Government took no responsibility for it."

More Sumas farmers were called to the stand to-day by David Whiteside, their solicitor. The gist of their testimony was that farming at Sumas was much more profitable before the reclamation scheme was undertaken than it could be no unless the charges against them were reduced. It was declared emphatically that the land owners could not carry on under these levies.

SEARCH IS MADE FOR MISSING MAN

H. Gordineer, Working in Woods at Loughborough Inlet, Disappeared

Vancouver, Dec. 8.—British Columbia police to-day took up the trail, already four days old, of H. Gordineer, chokerman for the Northern Pacific Logging Company, who disappeared shortly before noon last Friday while at work on the firm's limits at Beaver Creek, Loughborough Inlet, about 200 miles north of West Vancouver.

Constables from the Nanaimo district of the force have started out to form a search party.

Two days have been spent already by a gang of lumberjacks on the limits, who beat the woods in the vicinity last week-end without finding trace of the man.

Gordineer started work Friday morning at the hoist. Shortly before noon he stepped into the nearby woods and since then he has not been seen.

The man, who had been working in the camp only two weeks, was hired in Vancouver.

CHARGE OF MURDER TO BE HEARD SOON IN TERMINAL CITY

Vancouver, Dec. 8.—Charged with the murder of Wilfred M. Tibb, William Pilkington appeared before Magistrate H. C. Shaw in police court here to-day, and was remanded until December 15. It is expected the preliminary hearing of the charge will be commenced on that date.

EXTRADITION ASKED

Montreal, Dec. 8.—Radio messages from police authorities here to the Liverpool, Eng., police, led to the arrest of C. H. Haynes, formerly Montreal agent of the Hamilton Leather Company of Toronto, as he stepped from the steamship Regina at Liverpool, and proceedings have been started to have him extradited to Canada for trial on a conversion charge involving $9,827.

BAGOT VOTERS SEND LIBERAL TO OTTAWA

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"I am not speaking of the joint meetings at which Mr. Fauteux and I spoke," continued the Liberal member-elect. "I am speaking of the Conservative organization. I can get affidavits of electors in St. Pie, who were offered $25 to vote against me, and refused the money. I am proud we were able to retain Bagot in the face of the campaign waged against us."

Liberals tell of boxes of chocolate distributed to children at one of the Conservative meetings in Actonvale. Conservatives are retorting in kind.

NO FAUTEUX STATEMENT

Mr. Fauteux left for St. Hyacinthe. He made no statement.

In the general election last October the Liberal majority for Mr. Marcile in the whole constituency was 774.

The deputy returning officers, except at a few polling stations, last night reported majorities only.

DEFEATED THREE TIMES

Hon. André Fauteux, the unsuccessful Conservative candidate, was Solicitor-General in the Meighen Cabinet for a few weeks before its defeat and resignation late in 1921.

Ottawa, Dec. 8.—The election yesterday of G. D. Morin, Liberal, in Bagot, Quebec, brings the total of Liberal members in the new House of Commons to 101, with 117 Conservatives, twenty-four Progressives, two Laborites and one Independent.

Recounts of court proceedings in progress in some constituencies, such as Peace River, Alta., and North Huron, Ont., may change the standing before Parliament assembles on January 7.

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CEASES TO WRITE

London, Dec. 8.—Premier Baldwin, in answer to a question in the House of Commons yesterday as to whether he had received an assurance from Lord Birkenhead as to when the latter would fulfill his undertaking to discontinue his contributions to the press, replied that Lord Birkenhead had ceased to write articles for the press. The Premier's statement was greeted with cheers.

GASOLINE TAX

Olympia, Wash., Dec. 8.—A bill which would increase the gasoline tax in Washington from two cents to three cents a gallon for the building of new roads was filed in the House of Representatives yesterday.

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BAGOT

THERE WILL BE BITTER DISAPPOINTment in Conservative circles over the result of the by-election in Bagot, Quebec, yesterday. They attached special significance to the contest because they felt that if they won, the Government would be confronted with an expression of want of confidence which could not be ignored, and might even give way to them on the administration benches. They therefore used all their forces in the campaign, counting upon several factors to help them. One of these was the effect of the voting throughout Canada in the general election upon the prestige of the Government. Another was the fact that Mr. Morin, the Liberal candidate, was not as strong in the district as J. E. Marcile, the late member, while the Hon. Andre Fauteux, their own standard-bearer, was the most formidable candidate they could put up. They also reckoned on a small vote owing to weather conditions, their chances in that case being better than they would be if a large vote were polled.

There was another factor of unusual significance upon which the Conservatives counted. Mr. Meighen took an active part in the campaign, something he did not attempt anywhere in the province of Quebec in the general election. The electors of Bagot no doubt felt quite flattered by the attention the Conservative leader gave to them in this instance, but they were not sufficiently appreciative to reciprocate the compliment by electing Mr. Fauteux.

But it was not merely Mr. Meighen's personal appearance in Bagot which Conservatives felt would help them win the election. It was what their leader had to say on the subject of Canada's attitude to overseas wars in which the Empire might become involved. A few weeks before the election Mr. Meighen delivered a speech in Hamilton, Ontario, part of which was intended clearly for consumption by the electors of Bagot, Quebec. That part was:

"I do not anticipate that we of this generation will ever be called upon to take part in war again, and I earnestly hope that our children and our children's children may be free from the curse of war, but if ever the time should come when the spectre of 1914 should again appear I believe it would be best, not only that Parliament should be called, but that the decision of the government which, of course, would have to be given promptly, should be submitted to the judgment of the people at a general election before troops should leave our shores. This would contribute to the unity of our country in the months to come and would enable us best to do our duty."

This was regarded as excellent ammunition for Mr. Fauteux the Conservative candidate in Bagot. Henri Bourassa, in the hey-day of his perfervid nationalism never went any farther than that, and it was recalled that Mr. Fauteux once had been a follower of Mr. Bourassa.

To be sure that this new doctrine of the Conservative party would get to the electors of Bagot, Mr. Meighen himself went to the constituency and delivered three speeches in which he repeated what he had said in Hamilton. But the Bagotaise have rejected the bait, and although Mr. Meighen and his followers profess much satisfaction over the reduction of the Liberal majority, actually they have not been so severely shocked since they lost West Hastings in a by-election last year. And the King Government will carry on.

ROAD ALLOWANCES

MOTOR TRAFFIC HAS FOCUSSED SO much attention in recent years upon roadway surfacing that but little thought has been given to other features of this system of communication. The study of a road map of Canada necessarily attracts attention to the enormous amount of land that has to be reserved in each of the provinces to provide the network of highways.

In a recently issued pamphlet on the Natural Resources of the Prairie Provinces, the Natural Resources Intelligence Service of the Department of the Interior gives some interesting figures concerning the subdivision of the surveyed areas of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta. Of the total area already surveyed 3,734,000 acres have been set aside for [illegible] purposes, or an area two and one-half times total area of Canada's smallest province, Prince Edward Island, which contains 1,397,760 acres.

All original surveys in the Prairie Provinces are made by the Department of the Interior, under the authorization of Hon. Charles Stewart, Minister of the Interior. In the first system of surveys used in the western provinces the width of road allowances was established at 99 feet. Later this was found to be excessive, and the road allowance was reduced to 66 feet, roadways being provided at every mile, east and west and north and south. Later, it was found of advantage to restrict the road allowances east and west to every two miles. When applied to the area surveyed since this system was adopted it represents an enormous addition to the possible cultivable areas. It had the further advantage in reducing the cost of upkeep of highways.

It is to be noted that the cutting of weeds on the wide road allowances entailed heavy expense, and for that reason much weed cutting was neglected. These road allowances consequently became prolific weed seed distributors over the neighboring farms. The 66-foot roads have been found in every way satisfactory from the transportation standpoint, and throughout the Prairie Provinces crops are now being grown on what under the older systems of survey would be unnecessary road allowances.

THEIR NEW POLICY

ALREADY MR. MEIGHEN'S ATTEMPT to influence the electors of Bagot by his new doctrine regarding Canada's attitude to overseas wars has had a lively reaction among the Conservatives of Ontario. His declaration that if he were in office when an international crisis arose he not only would call Parliament in session to consider Canada's position, as is now required, but afterwards would have a generation election on the question, has aroused much misgiving in the Tory camp in Toronto.

No other national party leader ever has gone so far. While Sir John Macdonald, Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Sir Robert Borden have tenaciously guarded Canadian autonomy in regard to overseas complications they have been satisfied with the requirement that Canada's Parliament be consulted before this country be committed to active military service beyond Canadian boundaries.

When Mr. Mackenzie King declared that this would be his course, following a communication from the British Government arising out of the Chanak incident two years ago, Mr. Meighen and his followers in the press and on the platform venomously attacked him, insisting that his answer should have been "ready, aye, ready" no matter what the circumstances or his information might have been. What would Mr. Meighen have said if President King at that time had announced his intention of not only calling Parliament in special session but also of having a general election on the Chanak incident before Canada's attitude would be decided? Mr. King would have been branded as a wicked traitor. Toronto, which regards itself as the exclusive repository of Canadian loyalty, would not have been able to contain itslf.

Obviously, if there is one time more than another when a general election should not be held, it is the time of a grave international crisis, when the issue would be hopelessly clouded and a sane decision would be impossible. Parliament, not the stump with its turmoil and waste of time, is the proper place for the calm consideration of Canada's best interests in a situation of that kind. Mr. Meighen will hear more about the new policy to which he has committed his party.

WHAT OTHER PAPERS SAY

CHICAGO SOLVES THE PROBLEM

From The Chicago News

How many bank robberies have there been in this town since the bankers offered their reward for bank robbers dead or alive? Not any.

REAPING THE WHIRLWIND

From The Halifax Chronicle

It will be recalled that leading Conservative newspapers declared after St. Antoine by-election that Tory success under Mr. Meighen's leadership was impossible, for no party could win without Quebec, and Quebec would not support Mr. Meighen. They were right, but Mr. Meighen apparently has learned nothing, otherwise he would not have gone into Ontario for the purpose of raising new prejudices against Quebec. Such a speech as he made at Hamilton will not gain him any friends in Quebec where he needs them most.

NATIONAL SPIRIT

From The Toronto Globe

The neglect of Canadian history in the schools, the failure to teach it earnestly and in a manner that makes it linger in pupils' minds is a disgrace to the country. The Manitoba Free Press, in referring to the Port Arthur meeting, favors adopting the English system of starting with the home country and then expanding outward, in impressing history in schools. The Free Press adds:

"The trouble in Canada is that the emphasis on national life has never been placed where it should have been placed—at home. We have decided that our own Supreme Court was not good enough for the people of Canada; we have never had enough national spirit to provide ourselves with a distinctive Canadian flag; we have people in Canada objecting to standing up when "O Canada" is sung; we have trifled with the question of citizenship and nationality until the young Canadian is never sure whether he is really a Canadian or Hottentot because he had a Hottentot grandmother; we have put enthusiasm into celebrating every national day but our own; we have had those who spoke up for Canada denounced as traitors."

This sounds like strong language, but is it not true? The appeal to the Privy Council is scarcely a burden, and is valuable for decisions notably in constitutional cases, but the other indictments enumerated should cause some serious thought. Canadians are no less British by being good Canadians. Our first duty is to know and reverence our own country, and our place in relation to the Empire will adjust itself.

WORDS OF WISE MEN

If our inward griefs were seen written on our brows, how many would be pitied who are now envied! —Metastasio.

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Nothing is more silly than silly laughter. —Catullus.

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Be a pattern to others, and then all will go well; for as a whole city is affected by the licentious passions and vices of great men, so it is likewise reformed by their moderation. —Cicero.

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A thankful heart is not only the greatest virtue, but the parent of all the other virtues. —Cicero

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The opportunity for doing mischief is found a hundred times a day, and of doing good, once a year. —Voltaire.

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The muse does not allow the praise-deserving hero to die; she enthrones him in the heavens. —Horace.

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Eloquence is to the sublime what the whole is to its part. —La Bruyere.

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Multitudes think they like to do evil; yet no man ever really enjoyed doing evil since God made the world. —Ruskin.

Other People's Views

Letters addressed to the Editor and intended for publication must be short and legibly written. The longer an article the shorter the chance of insertion. All communications must bear the name and address of the writer, but not for publication unless the owner wishes. The publication or rejection of articles is a matter entirely in the discretion of the Editor. No responsibility is assumed by the paper for MSS. submitted to the Editor.

IN THE FIELD

To the Editor:—Alderman Marchant (under the above heading and as appeared in your issue of December 7) did the right thing in calling attention to what he has been doing and what he intends to do if re-elected on the City Council.

And might I be allowed to say that when I was asked by a number of citizens to become a candidate, I consented because I thought (and I still think) that if elected I should be in a better position to follow up and complete some of the industrial propositions which engaged by sole attention during my recent visit to England. Three of these propositions are of great importance.

JNO. HARVEY.
120 St. Andrew St., City Dec. 8.

MR. HART'S CASE

To the Editor:—Press reports of my appearance before the Oak Bay Council on December 2 are misleading. Briefly, the facts are as follows: I received a loan under the provisions of the Better Housing Act, and being six months in arrears of payment ($150), the Finance Committee wrote asking when I would be able to settle up. I replied, regretting delinquency and inability to name a date for settlement; explained that I had been unemployed for a year; expressed readiness to accept municipal relief work of any kind, and as my efficiency as a laborer is probably only 75 per cent, declared my willingness to accept payment in accordance with the value of labor performed. The reply was a peremptory demand to "make some definite arrangement to provide for the arrears under your mortgage and future monthly payments." My suggestion regarding work and all other items in the letter were completely ignored.

I called upon the clerk and asked why such a drastic letter was sent, and in the course of his utterances he said: "When you applied to the council for a loan you had a fairly good job, but managed to lose it somehow or other. No doubt that influenced the committee." I promptly wrote to Reeve Anscomb and Councillors Hayward, Mearns and Money, members of the finance committee, advising them of the clerk's statement and asking for their personal statements concerning the influence behind their actions. I expressed willingness to meet the committee and accept verbal explanations. No answers were forthcoming, and I was not invited to meet the committee. However, a letter was sent by the clerk which said: "The committee had to deal with the matter in a business way. Other persons who are in arrears have been dealt with in a similar fashion. I am further directed to advise that while the loss of your position in the Government service was discussed by the committee this was not the reason for the committee's present actions."

After a few amusing comedies staged for the purpose of preventing me meeting the council I secured a hearing on December 2. Even when I was there by appointment the Reeve tried to block me. I refused to submit to a five-minute limit and said I required half an hour. In putting the question to the council he said: "Mr. Hart was warned to appear before the last meeting, but did not see fit to do so." This I denied strenuously, and read the letter which I received in reply to a request for a meeting, and which was sent to me four hours before the meeting referred to. "I am directed to advise you that your letter of the 17th inst. will be placed before the council at its next meeting to be held to-night. The matter of granting you a hearing rests with the council." The Reeve accepted my rebuke in silence.

I read the foregoing correspondence and asked: "Why have I been signalled out for this harsh treatment?" After a long silence the Reeve said: "It is a business matter; you have received fair treatment, other delinquents have been treated in a similar fashion." I then put the following question, first to the Reeve and then in turn to Councillors Hayward, Mearns and Money: "Do you of your own personal knowledge say that we all received the same treatment?" Each answered in the affirmative. I then charged them with a breach of the oath of office, Section 85 Municipal Elections Act, which reads in part: "I will faithfully perform the duties of my office, and will not allow any private interest to influence my conduct in public matters."

Following that drastic step I produced a letter written to another delinquent. My friend had advised the finance committee that he could not pay and asked that he be assessed for improvement tax to the amount of his equity in the building instead of its full value. The reply was: "The committee appreciates the fact that you are making your monthly payments but have been unable, owing to [illegible] circumstances, to keep them up to date, and thanks you for your suggestion regarding the assessment of your equity in your property, but the procedure you suggest would not conform to the Municipal Act." My friend is five months in arrears; I am six. His equity in house and land is approximately $700; mine is $2,500. He received a kindly, courteous letter; I received an implied threat.

A chastened committee suddenly remembered that each case was considered on its merits, and I had no cause for complaint, as "we have not yet taken steps to foreclose." Councillor Money declared that "all ex-Service men's cases receive considerate and sympathetic treatment." It was in all reverence and earnestness that I was constrained to say: "God help any unfortunate ex-Service man who comes within the power of the finance committee."

Not one would reply to my repeated references to the clerk's statement indicating undue influence and the subsequent letter confirming the fact that extraneous matters were discussed by the committee before the drastic letter was sent to me.

I have all the documents, and will meet any or all of the four gentlemen named on any election platform, or in any public place at any time prior to the election, only stipulating that there be fair play and no "official communiques" for the purpose of "kidding the troops."

H. W. HART.

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Canadian Questions and Answers

CANADA'S OVERSEAS CATTLE TRADE

Q. What is the extent of Canada's Overseas Cattle Trade?

A. Canada's overseas cattle trade is steadily increasing. Since the removal of the British embargo, Canadian cattle have at last come into their own in the British markets. In 1923, 25,758 head were shipped to the British Isles, in 1924, 79,435; and from January to April 1925, 23,312 as against 15,634 during the same period in 1924.

AID TO BRITISH SETTLERS

Q. What aid is given to British settlers in Canada?

A. The British and Canadian Governments have arranged to advance funds for the settlement on improved farms in Canada of farm workers, farmers of limited means, and other suitable families who desire to engage in farming. Farms ready for occupation and within reasonable distance of schools, churches, railways and markets. Loans repayable over twenty-five years, with interest at five per cent per annum. Settlers are visited periodically and given advice free by Canadian Government Land Settlement Experts till established.

The WEATHER

Daily Bulletin Furnished by The Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 8.—5 a.m.—The barometer is falling on the Northern Coast and unsettled weather may become general on the Pacific Slope. Fair, moderately cold weather prevails in the prairies.

Reports

Victoria—Barometer, 30.06; temperature, maximum yesterday, 46; minimum, 44; wind, 8 miles N.E.; rain, .01; weather, cloudy.

Vancouver—Barometer, 30.08; temperature, maximum yesterday, 46; minimum, 40; wind, calm; weather, foggy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.18; temperature, maximum yesterday, 42; minimum, 38; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 29.72; temperature, maximum yesterday, 54; minimum, 50; wind, 6 miles S.E.; rain, .36; weather, clear.

Estevan—Barometer, 29.92; temperature, maximum yesterday, 54; minimum, 44; wind, 4 miles S.E.; weather, fair.

Tatoosh—Barometer, 29.94; temperature, maximum yesterday, 54; minimum, 46; wind, 48 miles E.; weather, clear.

Portland, Ore.—Barometer, 30.08; temperature, maximum yesterday, 54; minimum, 44; wind, 4 miles S.E.; weather, clear.

Seattle—Barometer, 30.06; temperature, maximum yesterday, 48; minimum, 40; wind, 4 miles S.E.; weather, foggy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.08; temperature, maximum yesterday, 70; minimum, 52; wind, 4 miles N.; weather, clear.

Winnipeg — Temperature, maximum yesterday, 34; minimum, 10; snow, 4.

Temperature

	Max.	Min.
Victoria	46	44
Vancouver	46	40
Barkerville	40	..
Penticton	44	..
Grand Forks	37	..
Nelson	40	..
Kaslo	42	..
Medicine Hat	52	26
Calgary	62	34
Swift Current	50	28
Edmonton	44	26
Qu'Appelle	50	24
Toronto	33	28
Ottawa	32	30
Montreal	34	30
St. John	44	36
Halifax	50	40

LIQUOR ARREST

Brantford, Ont., Dec. 8.—Patrolling his beat on the Brantford and Hamilton highway near Fairchild's Creek early Sunday, Motorcycle Officer Jackson stopped a large auto, stated to have been on its way from Windsor to Toronto, and found forty-five cases of whisky in the car. He placed the driver and owner, a Windsor man, under arrest.

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BIG BETTERMENT ON RESERVE IS PROPOSED TO CITY

Trunk Roads to be Opened Across Industrial Reserve if City Co-operates

If the city will co-operate, new highways will, at once be opened across the industrial reserve, the City Council was last night informed by G. R. Naden, Deputy Minister of Lands.

The department offered to rough grade (1) Krista Road, between the Western Canada Cooperage Company's site and the Sidney Roofing Company's plant; (2) Tyee Road, between Johnson Street and Esquimalt Road, and (3) Langford Street, between Esquimalt Road and Alston Street.

The Provincial Lands Department asks the city to surface the newly-opened streets after the rough grading is completed, and work will be commenced shortly after the New Year if an undertaking is given by the city.

Mr. Naden points out that improvement of Langford Street west of Alston Street by the city would provide a very direct route from the centre of the city to the Craigflower Road district.

The proposal was referred to City Engineer Preston for report.

ESQUIMALT TO VOTE ON ATHLETIC FIELD

Ratepayers Will Decide Issue at Forthcoming Elections

A delegation representing athletic bodies in Esquimalt, waited upon the Esquimalt Council last night, and urged that the Bullen Memorial Park be made into an athletic centre. The council, after hearing the delegation, decided that the matter should be put to the people in a by-law at the forthcoming municipal elections. This will be the third by-law before the voters of the Esquimalt municipality this year. The council holds an estimate from the Municipal Engineer, H. F. Bourne, given some time ago, which states that the construction of an athletic field in the Bullen Memorial Park would necessitate an outlay of approximately $8,500.

The fact that Esquimalt's teams were required to go to Victoria to play all their games, and even to hold workouts, was one of the strongest arguments of the delegation in urging for an athletic field. It remains with the people of the municipality to decide whether or not they are willing to make the necessary outlay to provide a playing field for the athletes of the district.

Parksville

Special to The Times

The regular monthly meeting of the Parksville W.I. was held this week, with a large attendance of members, the president being in the chair. The sum of $20 was voted towards the Solarium fund, and it was decided to hold a children's masquerade party on Tuesday, December 22. Nominations for officers followed, eight names being presented for ballot at the annual meeting.

A suggestion as to whether the institute should provide Thermos flasks for school children was left over for consideration. The roll call on children's lunches brought out many suggestions, such as variation of filling for sandwiches; care regarding cutting and appearance of bread and butter for sandwiches; the necessity of good plain food; and milk or cocoa in Thermos flasks.

The Islands

Special to The Times

Ganges, Dec. 8.—Members of the Guild of Sunshine held a sale of work at the Mahon Hall on Saturday afternoon when a number of beautiful articles were sold, also a number of good things from the home cooking stall. Tea was in charge of Mrs. Toynbee, Mrs. Dewhurst and Mrs. Brown. Plain sewing, Mrs. McFadden; fancy sewing, Mrs. Gregory, Mrs. Nelson; plants, Mrs. Mansel; home cooking, Miss Dean, Mrs. Beech.

On Thursday evening the Commissioner of the Girl Guides, Mrs. Kinlock of Shawnigan Lake, addressed a meeting at Fulford, where they hope to get a company of Girl Guides started soon. On Friday evening at the Mahon Hall, Ganges, Mrs. Kinlock enrolled the First Salt Spring Island company, consisting of three patrols, namely, the Oriole, the Robin and the White Heather. After they had made their pledges and had become Girl Guides a few games were played and songs sung, which the parents and friends enjoyed. A large number was present to see the enrolment and the girls looked very smart in their new uniforms. The guides are Doris Taylor, captain or guider; Miss K. Allen, lieutenant; patrol leaders, Phyllis Taylor, Lois Wilson, Gladys Barrodalie; and Guides Dorothy Elliott, Nancy Elliott, Vera Seymore, Lorna Rogers, Dora Rowan, Peggy Rowan, Jean Mouat, Phyllis and Gladys Beech, Eva Jackson, Florence Mallet, Dora Urquhart, Shirley Wilson, Denise and Doreen Crofton, Muriel Liversedge, Nora Turner.

Mrs. Kinlock of Shawnigan Lake, Commissioner of the Girl Guides, was the guest of Mrs. T. M. Jackson while at Fulford, and the guest of Mrs. V. C. Best, president of the Girl Guides, while at Ganges.

Miss Reynolds spent a few days in Vancouver this week in business.

Gen. Greene-Wilkinson, formerly of North Salt Spring Island, left recently for England, where he will reside, the Honorable Mrs. Greene-Wilkinson and two daughters having been in England since Spring.

There will be a vaudeville show and dance at the Mahon Hall on Friday evening, December 18. Ivor Parfait and his orchestra, of Victoria, will furnish the music. Proceeds will be for the Athletic club, to be used for improvements on the Mahon Hall grounds.

Telephone service has been extended and two operators are on duty. The hours are from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. during the week, and 9 to 10 and 5 to 6 on Sundays. The operators are Miss Aitkens and Miss Allen.

The meteorological report for the month of November at Ganges by the Rev. G. W. Dean, observer, read: Temperature, highest, 56 degrees on November 18; lowest, 32 degrees on November 4; mean temperature, 43.38. Rainfall for month, 2.65 inches. Heaviest precipitation, .72 on November 15.

The children's fancy dress ball under the auspices of the members of the Women's Institute at Fulford was held on Saturday afternoon, with a number of children gaily dressed and ready for an afternoon of games and music. Tea was served to all. Mrs. A. Eaton played for the Grand March, when the judges, Dr. Sutherland, Dr. Bryant and Mrs. Craig, awarded the following prizes. Mrs. Craig handing them to the winners:

Ages 1 to 5 years—Best dressed, Agnes Cairnes, housemaid; special, E. Lacy, fairy; comic, Jack Cairnes, little clown.

Ages 6 to 10—Costume, Cora Ringwood, fairy; special, Aileen Ceachy, breezes; comic, Edna Morris, Felix. Special, Alonzo Sparrow, soldier.

Ages 10 to 14—Best dressed, Evelyn Jackson, Turkish lady; special, Sylvia Tregic, sailor boy; comic, Bobby Akerman.

Among those in costume were: Jackie Cairnes, clown; Agnes Cairnes, parlormaid; Margaret Cairnes, doll; Dorothy Lea, Ramsay chocolates; Aileen Curly, breezes; Cora Ringwood, fairy; Raymond Ringwood, clown; Leslie Mollet, clown; Florence Mollet, fairy; Evelyn Jackson, Turkish lady; Edna Morris, Felix the Cat; Helen Dakin, Red Cross nurse; Cora Dakin, strawberry; Roy Wakilin, cat; Bobby Akerman, Early Victorian; Dora Urquhart, Powderpuff; Sylvia Tregic, sailor boy; Mary and Kathleen Lacy, fairies; Loreen Sparrow, Red Cross nurse; Johnny Sparrow, soldier; Phyllis Gyves, butterfly; Valerie Gyves, daisy.

In the evening the institute members served tea to those attending the basketball game and dance which followed.

A basketball team from James Island played Fulford basketball team, James Island winning by one basket. Score was 26 to 24.

Toronto, Dec. 8—W. H. Banfield, eighty-three, leading Toronto manufacturer, died here yesterday from pneumonia after a few days' illness. He was the founder and president of the company known as W. H. Banfield & Sons, Ltd.

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Large Stock of Christmas Candies

Boiled Candy, Fancy Candy of all kinds, Chocolates and Boxed Chocolates that express the Season's Greetings in our Candy Department, Lower Main Floor.

Merchandise Scrip

On Sale at the Exchange Desk, Main Floor.

Imported French Crystalized Fruits

Orange, Apricot, Greengage, Pear, Cherries and Plum, packed in a wooden box and priced at **$1.25**

—Grocery Counter, Lower Main Floor

New Home Made Cakes

Fruit Cakes, Fancy Iced Cakes, Layer Cakes and Small Cakes of all kinds. See them and you will want to try them. Just as good as home made.—Bakery Counter, Lower Main Floor

Wednesday Specials in Children's Wear

Many Useful and Inexpensive Christmas Gifts

Children's Wool Mitts with gauntlet wrists, shown in fawn, navy, red, brown and white. Sizes for 2 to 4 years. Special at ..... **50¢**

Children's All Wool Toques with pom-pom on top, shown in brown and fawn trimmed with contrasting stripes. Sizes for 4 to 12 years. Special ..... **75¢**

Novelty Colored Sleepers in pink and blue flannelette with nursery rhyme figures or animal designs. Made with feet attached and drop seat; sizes for 2 to 5 years. Special **$1.25**

Children's Pullover Sweaters in rose shade only, made with round collars and in sizes for 2 to 6 years. Special Wednesday at ..... **98¢**

Children's Khaki and Blue Denim Overalls trimmed with red, shown in ankle length. Sizes for 2 to 5 years. Special at **$1.00**

—Children's Wear, First Floor



Special Sale of 40 Only Outsize SILK KNIT Dresses

Sizes 38 to 44. Wednesday Morning at

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These frocks are specially designed to meet the demands of the more fully developed figure; with flares at the sides, finely pleated front panels, full and three-quarter length sleeves, flat finished neck and tie girdles. The trimmings consist of pipings, cording and shirring, the shades include black, navy, nigger and cocoa brown. Very specially priced for Wednesday morning at **$8.90**

—Mantles, First Floor

Silks on Sale Wednesday Morning

33-inch Natural Pongee On Sale, a Yard, 75c

33-inch Natural Pongee Silk, free from filling and makes up well; wears well. Great value, a yard ..... **75¢**

29-inch Spun Silk Special, a Yard, 85c

29-inch Spun Silk, and all-silk fabric and first grade. All the latest colors including black. On sale, a yard ..... **85¢**

—Silks, Main Floor

Women's Sample Neckwear

Values to $4.75 for $1.98 and 98c

600 Pieces of Sample Neckwear in lace and tinsel cloth, also collar and cuff sets, jabots, vestees, etc; values to $4.75. On Sale for **$1.98** and ..... **98¢**

—Neckwear, Main Floor



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Fine Hosiery

Our selections provide a wonderful choice of shades from the sheerest chiffons to the more practical weights.

Full fashioned, exquisitely sheer Chiffon Hose, with sandal foot, in sizes 8½ to 10. "Gordon" make, made in shades of black, gunmetal, French nude, sunset, Windsor tan, orchid, moonlight and gold. Pair, **$3.00**

"Gordon" Lace Clocked Hose, full fashioned, and made from purest silk, with a lisle garter welt hem; sizes 8½ to 10. In shades of black, white, sunset and French nude. Pair, ... **$3.25**

Kayser Full Fashioned Silk Hose, the wearing quality and appearance of which everyone knows. Have well reinforced feet, and shown in black, white and all the desired shades. A pair **$2.00**

Winsome Maid Pure Thread Silk Hose, heavy weight, with seamless feet, strongly reinforced. Shown in black, white and all colors; sizes 8½ to 10. A pair .. **$2.00**

Marvel Silk Hose, with pointed heels, lisle garter hem and reinforced foot. May be had in shades of black, white, peach, nude, powder blue, camel, silver, gold, cameo, platinum, toreador and cheri, illusion, kasha and pansy. A pair **$2.00**

Women's Pure Thread Silk Hose, with hemmed garter tops; sizes 8½ to 10. In white, black, brown, beige, log cabin, camel, peach, cameo, golden pheasant, pearl grey, Oriental pearle, toreador, cheri and hoggar. Pair, **$1.50**

Women's Good Quality Silk Hose, with fine garter tops, hemmed or elastic rib; spliced heels and toes; sizes 8½ to 10. In black, white and all colors. A pair ... **$1.25**

Women's Hose, knitted from silk yarn mixed with fibre silk. A splendid wearing hose with mercerized lisle tops and reinforced heels and toes; sizes 8½ to 10. At, a pair **$1.00**

—Hosiery, Main Floor

Voile Lingerie

Very Dainty For Christmas Gifts and So Inexpensive Too



Delightful Voile Gowns trimmed with fine French, ecru tinted Val. lace and appliqued net medallion, very simply tailored with wide tucks and wide strap shoulders, shown in Nile, pink, orchid, peach, sky, rose and orange. Sizes to fit up to 42. Special, each **$1.95**

A most desirable Envelope Chemise with the new style button tab, made up in colored voile and prettily trimmed or on tailored lines with band or tucked net and Val. insertion, cute net medallion set in front. Colors are orchid, orange, sky, rose, peach and Nile. Sizes 36 to 42. Each **$1.49**

At this price one would hardly expect to see such a dainty two-piece set, Chemise and French Step-ins in colored voile. Step-ins that fit perfectly, trimmed with deep piece ecru Val. lace and prettily monogramed with silk love birds. A set, special **$2.49**

—Whitewear, First Floor

Women's Tricolette Overblouses

A Wednesday Special. Each $1.98

Tricolette Overblouses, in plain shades or two-tone effects. They have short sleeves, round or "V" necks and finished with plain hem at bottom or draw-cord at waist; sizes 36 to 42. Special value, each **$1.98**

—Blouses, First Floor

Brushed Wool Cardigans

Wednesday Special Value $2.95

Cardigans made of allover brushed wool. They have two patch pockets and five-button fastenings. Shades are grey and fawn; sizes 36 to 42. On sale, each **$2.95**

—Sweaters, First Floor

Bandette Brassieres

Special, Each, 50c

Fancy Pink Cotton Bandette Brassieres, back hook style with tape shoulder straps. Very short style, each, **50¢**

—Corsets, First Floor

Two Wonder Values In



Women's Shoes at $5.00

A very pretty Patent Leather Step-in Pump with invisible gore and smart buckle, medium spike heel. A real wonder value at **$5.00**

Black Satin and Patent Strap Slippers with high cut strap and spike heels. A very smart shoe and a real wonder value at **$5.00**

—Women's Shoes, First Floor

120 Pairs of Women's Slippers

On Sale Wednesday Morning, On the Bargain Highway, Per Pair ..... 79¢

120 Pairs of Women's Felt and Velvet Slippers, with flexible leather soles; sizes 5 to 8. Bargains at, a pair ..... **79¢**

—Lower Main Floor, Arcade Building

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—Handkerchiefs, Main Floor

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Specials for Wednesday Morning Shoppers at Our Perfumery and Toilet Articles Section

We have a display of specially priced gift articles carefully selected to give a great variety to choose from at moderate prices. You will save money by looking these over.

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All Pure Wool Blankets, made from high grade yarn; snow white with blue borders. Thoroughly shrunk; size 56x72. Great value, a pair **$8.75**

All Pure Wool Plaid Blankets, mauve, blue, rose and fawn, on a white ground. Beautiful and serviceable blankets; size 72x84 inches. Great value, a pair **$12.75**

—Blankets, Main Floor

Men's Sweaters

Special Values Wednesday



Penman's Knitted Sweater Coats, with "V" shape neck and two pockets. All wool, medium weight. Sand shade only. Special, each **1.95**

Penman's Heavy Knit Pullover Sweaters with shawl collars. Colors are navy blue or Lovat, with contrast stripes on collar. Special each **$2.75**

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—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

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Calenders of all kinds, great assortment. Priced from **15¢** to **$2.00**

Tissue Paper, white, per quire, **10¢, 15¢** and **20¢**

Colored ..... **35¢**

Correspondence Cards, large, boxed. Priced from **50¢** to **$1.50**

—Stationery, Lower Main Floor

Children's Books

Boys' Own Annual at **$3.25**

Girls' Own Annual at **$3.25**

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Annuals for children of all ages, **$1.50** and **$1.25**

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The Burgess Flower, Animal and Bird Books at **$3.25**

—Books, Lower Main Floor

Christmas Sale of Arm Bands and Braces

Elastic Arm Bands, all colors, in presentation boxes. A pair, special ..... **25¢**

Wire Arm Bands, St. George's brand, gilt or silvered. A pair ..... **25¢**

Silk-covered Wire Arm Bands, fancy or plain colors; regular 35c. On Sale, a pair ..... **25¢**

Elastic Web Braces, with leather ends. Each pair boxed. Special, a pair ..... **50¢**

Men's Mercerized Colored Bordered Handkerchiefs. Each ..... **25¢**

White Cambric Initial Handkerchiefs. Special, each **25¢**

—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

Pudding Bowls

At Special Prices To-morrow

Plain, white English earthenware, pudding bowls, in four sizes. Very special Wednesday morning at **15¢, 20¢, 25¢** and .. **30¢**

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Mahogany and Fumed Oak Card Tables, with folding legs and green baize tops. Very special value, at, each **$3.50**

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TOYS

Big Values Wednesday

12 Train Sets, complete with track. Reg. $2.75 for **$1.25**

20 Shoofly Rockers, each ..... **95¢**

20 Aluminum Cooking Sets, each ..... **95¢**

50 only Wood Animals on wheels, each ..... **25¢**

50 Mechanical Cats and Rabbits, each ..... **25¢**

10 Large Spring Popguns, 99c values for ..... **35¢**

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—Toys, Lower Main Floor

Men's Fine Cotton Socks 3 Pairs for 50c

Men's Fine Cotton Socks, in shades of sand, brown, navy grey and black. Regular, a pair 25c. On sale Wednesday morning, **3** pairs for ..... **50¢**

—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

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—Carpets, Second Floor

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Men's Silk Ties in wide end shapes, new patterns and designs. Special, each .. **50¢**

Men's Knitted Art Silk Ties, fancy stripes and plain colors. Wednesday morning, each ..... **50¢**

Men's Silk Ties, wide end style. New patterns and fancy designs. Wednesday morning, each ..... **75¢**

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Individual Club Steaks, lb. ....25¢
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Nice Halibut, lb. .....25¢
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FORMER VICTORIANS WED AT PARKSVILLE

Marriage of Miss Florence Coupland and Louis Duckitt Saturday

St. Ann's Church, French Creek, was the scene of a pretty wedding on Saturday morning when Florence, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Coupland, of "Fernhill," Coombs, V. I., formerly of Victoria, became the bride of Mr. Louis Duckitt of Vancouver, formerly of Victoria.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. C. H. Popham.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, looked charming in her gown of ivory duchesse satin, over which was worn a French blanc frise tunic of beads and sequins. Her veil of silk embroidered net was bound to the head in cap effect with coronet of orange blossoms and fell in graceful folds. She carried a shower bouquet of Ophelia roses, carnations and maiden hair fern.

The bridesmaid, Miss Nellie Squires of New Westminster, wore a most becoming frock of "ashes of roses" satin trimmed with silver beads and sequins and silver beaded bandeau and carried an arm bouquet of carnations, chrysanthemums and fern.

Mr. J. W. Dobeson of Nanaimo, was best man. Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, when Mr. and Mrs. Duckett received their guests assisted by the bride's mother wearing a smart gown of black satin and lace overdress with hat to match.

The dining table with its decorations of mauve and pink was centred with a three-tier wedding cake. The toast to the bride was proposed by Mr. Dobeson and replied to by the bridegroom.

The groom's gift to the bride was a handsome fox fur and leather vanity case, and the bride's gift to the groom a gold signet ring, while the groom's gift to the bridesmaid was a leather hand-bag and to the best man onyx cuff links.

Later Mr. and Mrs. Duckitt left for Vancouver, en route for Alberta where the honeymoon will be spent, the bride traveling in a coat of plum marvella with collar and side-flares of fur over a frock of pansy-colored satin trimmed with fur and georgette and silver brocaded black satin hat.

Among the numerous wedding gifts was a handsome set of cutlery from the Provincial Boiler Inspection Service staff.

TO-MORROW'S HOROSCOPE

By Genevieve Kemble

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9

A fairly fortunate day is forecast from the auspicious transits of Luna sustained by favorable mutual aspects. Jupiter, the Greater Fortune, is assisted in its friendly offices by the gracious Venus, the secondary benefic in the planetary chain. This combination should bring happiness and prosperity to all lines of human interest, business as well as personal; but there is some menace of complications through letters or documents and also by a tendency to rash acts and caustic language. Be cautious in these respects.

Those whose birthday it is may look for a year of most fortuitous circumstances in all personal as well as business interests, providing they curb the tongue. Exercise precaution in the matter of writing. A child born on this day should be finely endowed in intellectual and social qualities, but it should be assisted to apply itself to business in a calm and conservative way, as it may be inclined to rash and impulsive ways and may be careless with writings and caustic in speech.

GARDEN CITY WOMEN ENTERTAIN PARENTS AND SCHOOL STAFF

The regular monthly meeting of the Garden City Women's Institute was held in the Marigold Hall Thursday afternoon. Regular business included reports from the following committees: Social committee under Mrs. Lynn and Mrs. Hooper gave an account of two successful 500 drives; the visiting committee reported that three members who were ill in hospital had been visited and flowers sent, the hall committee announced that the furnace had been finally installed.

Activities for December include a fancy dress party for the children on December 22, in the Marigold Hall. The members who will arrange this event, are: Mrs. Lynn, Mrs. Stacey, Mrs. Hooper and Mrs. Fyatt. Plans are also under way for a country fair to be held the second week in January.

At the conclusion of the business a reception was held for the principal and teachers of McKenzie School, and for the parents of the pupils. Mrs. Hall, the president, welcomed the guests and explained the wish of the Institute to establish closer relations with the teacher and the pupils. Mr. Routley, the principal, spoke briefly and kept his audience interested throughout the expression of his ideas on education and the closer co-operation of teacher and parent. The meeting was in the hands of the education committee, who served afternoon tea.

The usual fortnightly 500 drive will be held on Friday, December 11, at 8 o'clock in the Marigold Hall.

St. Luke's Bazaar—St. Luke's bazaar, Cedar Hill, was a great success, the proceeds amounting to $305. It was opened by Mrs. Archbold, and little Miss Kathleen Rendle presented her with a bouquet of flowers. The W.A. wish to thank all those who so kindly helped to make the bazaar a success. The cake guessing contest was won by Mr. J. Kingsberry and the chocolates by Mr. Tipper.

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IN WOMAN'S DOMAIN

SMART WEDDING AT ST. JOHN'S CHURCH AT NOON TO-DAY

Miss Davida Ker Becomes Bride of Capt. R. W. Braide; Leaving For Germany

At high noon to-day, St. John's Church was the scene of a smart wedding when the Bishop of Columbia, assisted by the Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick, rector of St. John's, united in marriage Laura Davida, elder daughter of the late Mr. D. R. Ker and of Mrs. Ker of Victoria, and Captain Reginald William Braide of the Prince of Wales' Volunteers, South Lancashire, son of the late Lieut.-Colonel G. F. W. Braide of the Indian Medical Service and the late Mrs. Braide.

For the happy occasion friends of the bride made a pleasing arrangement of greenery interspersed with bronze chrysanthemums around the pulpit and lectern, and formed a chancel arch of greenery and white chrysanthemums under which the bridal couple stood during the service. The guest pews were signified with large clusters of yellow chrysanthemums held in place with a bow of blue ribbon.

Mr. Jennings Burnett presided at the organ and on arrival of the bridal party played the third introduction of Lohengrin with the Bridal March and on their departure the Mendelssohn Wedding March. The service was choral and during the signing of the register the choir sang "O Perfect Love."

The bride, given in marriage by her brother, Mr. R. H. B. Ker, was a picture of charm in her wedding gown, a Princesse Paris model of white georgette over a cream satin slip. The gown was fashioned with long tight-fitting sleeves and with revers, and on the fur-edged flaring skirt the flounce was embroidered with flat silver thread, having inset small cut velvet flowers centred with brilliants. A Brussels lace veil attached to the coiffure with a coronet of orange blossoms was worn over a filmy tulle train. A sheaf of bridal roses and violets completed the bridal attire. The only ornament worn was a platinum brooch set with diamonds, the gift of the groom.

Miss Inez Ker, sister of the bride, made a charming bridesmaid in a frock of peri-winkle blue crepe chiffon, made in Princesse style, and wore a bandeau of yellow and blue French flowers. Her bouquet was composed of creamy-pink Buckingham chrysanthemums and greenery.

Little Diana Ker, niece of the bride, as train-bearer, was fascinating in a dainty French frock of corn yellow georgette lubing, and wore a wreath of French flowers in the shades of yellow and blue. Her basket was filled with fragrant blooms.

The groom was supported by Mr. Victor Sutherland, and Captain Carew Martin and Mr. Harold Wilson acted as ushers.

Following the marriage ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. B. Ker, Shasta Avenue, where old friends of the bride's family and her friends assembled to offer their congratulations and good wishes. The guests were received by Mrs. D. R. Ker, who was dressed in a Patou gown of beige georgette, handsomely embroidered, and wore a smart black silk moire hat, adorned with bird of paradise trimming.

In the hall, a color scheme of yellow and pink was carried out with chrysanthemums while in the dining-room where the buffet luncheon was served, pink flowers in soft pleasing colorings were used to enhance the beauty of the room.

Captain and Mrs. Braide left on the 4.30 boat for Seattle and on their return will spend a few days in Victoria, prior to leaving for Wiesbaden, Germany, where the bridegroom is attached to the general staff of the British Army of the Rhine.

The bride's travelling gown was of bottle-green chiffon broadcloth, trimmed with small diamond-shaped squares of silver coat-of-mail. A hat to match with osprey mount was worn.

To the bridesmaid the groom gave a gilded silver novelty vanity case; to the flower girl, a bar pin set with pearls; to the best man, a silver tooled cigarette case, and to the ushers, silver tooled cigarette lighters.

Among the out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ker of Vancouver, Mrs. Arthur Smith and Miss Vera Smith of Vancouver, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Rogers of Vancouver, Colonel and Mrs. Collard of Quamichan Lake, Mrs. Chator Payne of Vancouver, Mrs. Claude McAlpine of Vancouver and Miss K. Farrell of Vancouver.

GUILD OF HEALTH

At 8 o'clock to-morrow evening the Rev. T. E. Rowe, director of the Canadian Guild of Health, will address a meeting at Belmont United Church, taking as his subject "The Healing Methods of Jesus." There will be no meeting of the Guild on Thursday.

Music and Art Club.—The programme conveners of the Music and Arts Club have arranged a splendid programme for the December recital to be held in the Victoria Club, Friday evening at 8.30 o'clock. Those contributing are: Misses Inez Penzer, May Muir, Doris Bagshawe, Jessie Smith, and Grinimond; Messrs. Ivings and Cartwright.

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TO-DAY'S BRIDE AND BRIDEGROOM



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Capt. R. W. Braide and Mrs. Braide (nee Davida Ker)

—Photo by Rosher.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. Gorman of Linden Avenue left this afternoon for Vancouver, where she will visit friends for a few days.

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Mrs. Hugh McNiven, of Belmont, Ontario, is spending the Winter in Victoria with her sister, Mrs. Collard, Colquitz Avenue.

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Miss Jessie Cheetham of Vancouver arrived in Victoria this afternoon on a visit to her father, Mr. Cheetham, Langley Street.

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Mrs. Claude McAlpine of Vancouver, who came over to attend the Ker-Braide wedding to-day, is the guest of Mrs. J. E. Wilson, St. Charles Street.

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Miss K. Farrell of Vancouver, who came over to attend the Ker-Braide wedding to-day, is remaining in Victoria for a few days as the guest of Mrs. J. E.Wilson, St. Charles Street.

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Mrs. W. H. Sutherland entertained yesterday at a luncheon followed by bridge at her home on Foul Bay Road. Complimentary to Miss Henderson and Mrs. Stewart of Perth, Ontario.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Palmer, 3453 Quadra Street, announce the engagement of their second daughter, Grace Helena, to Harold A. White, 151 Bushby Street.

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Mrs. J. T. Marshall (nee Vera Cockett) will hold her post-nuptial reception at her home, suite 9, Alma Mansions, on Saturday afternoon from 3 to 6 o'clock.

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Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ker of Vancouver, who were among the out-of-town guests at the Ker-Braide wedding to-day are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Helsterman, St. Charles Street.

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Mrs. Chator Payne of Vancouver arrived in Victoria this morning to attend the Ker-Braide wedding and for a few days will be the guest of her father, Mr. E. E. Blackwood, Linden Avenue.

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Mrs. Arthur Smith of Vancouver, accompanied by her daughter, Miss Verna Smith, is visiting in Victoria, as the guest of her mother, Mrs. Helsterman, Shasta Avenue, having come over to attend the wedding of her niece, Miss Davida Ker and Captain Braide.

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Mrs. Thomas O'Hagan of Jasper, Alta, announce the marriage of their only daughter, Bettie, to Mr. Paul Herbert Addy of Montreal. The wedding took place on November 11 at the church of St. James the Apostle, Montreal and the ceremony was performed by the Rev. Canon Shatford.

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Mr. and Mrs. Russell Ker entertained last evening at a dinner party at their new home on Linden Avenue in honor of Miss Davida Ker and Captain Braide. The other guests were Mr. and Mrs. R. H. B. Ker, Major and Mrs. Selden Humphreys, Dr. and Mrs. H. E. Ridewood, Mrs. C. E. Thomas and Captain Carew Martin.

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A pretty wedding took place yesterday afternoon at "Breadalbane," 1185 Fort Street, when the Rev. Dr. Campbell celebrated the marriage of Mr. Walter Daniel Healy and Miss Marie Masshof, both of Seattle. The bride, who was very handsome in a beautiful gown of dark green tricotine and hat to match, was accompanied by Mrs. B. Hamilton. The groomsman was Mr. K. Essihos. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Healy left by motor to enjoy a honeymoon up the Island, after which they will make their home in Seattle.

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Mrs. F. J. Hall Jr. entertained this afternoon at a bridge party at her home on Cranmore Road, when her guests included Mrs. T. McKeown, Mrs. J. Taylor, Mrs. L. D. McLean, Mrs. Dillabough, Mrs. P. C. Abell, Mrs. A. D. McFarlane, Mrs. Caron Jameson, Mrs. Antony Genn, Mrs. Alfred Carmichael, Mrs. Walter Hall, Mrs. J. E. B. Dickson, Mrs. George Briscoe, Mrs. W. G. McLaren, Mrs. Alvin Gonnason, Mrs. W. H. Rowlands, Mrs. W. W. Rowlands, Mrs. H. P. Hodges, Mrs. Herbert Pendray, Mrs. J. M. Wood and Miss Rose McKenna.

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Yesterday afternoon at the home of her brother, Ven. Archdeacon J. H. S. Sweet, Monterey Avenue, Miss Sweet celebrated her eighty-first birthday at a delightful tea party, to which came many of her old and devoted friends bringing good wishes, charming gifts and many beautiful flowers. Miss Sweet, who looked remarkably well in a stately black silk gown, which was worn by her mother fifty years ago, received her guests, assisted by Archdeacon Sweet. The rooms were bright with chrysanthemums and vivid exclamen and in the dining-room a most artistic birthday cake made and decorated by Miss Sweet's niece, Mrs. W. Llewellyn Thomas, occupied a place of honor with its eighty-one candles cleverly fitted into little pine cones. Mrs. Horace Hamlet presided at the tea table, where she was assisted by Mrs. Forde, Miss Marie George, and among the invited guests were: Mrs. Irving, Miss Gallelly, Mrs. E. H. King, Mrs. Keith Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. H. King, Mr. and Mrs. Wootton, Miss B. Wootton, Mr. H. Wootton, Mr. and Mrs. Travis, Mrs. Nation, Miss Robinson, Miss Esam, Miss Baynes-Reed, Miss Harris, Sir Richard and Lady Lake, Mrs. and Miss George, Mrs. L. H. Hardie, Mrs. J. W. Church, Mrs. Blaiklock, Mrs. Tuck, Mrs. Hiscocks, Mrs. Montizambert, Mr. and Mrs. de L. Nunns, Miss Fox, Miss K. Maclure, Mrs. Thom, Mr. and Mrs. P. Goepel, Mrs. W. Goepel, Mr. and Mrs. Worjock, Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. R. B. McMicking, Mrs. Schofield, Mrs. Temple, Miss Woods, Mrs. Bentley, Mrs. Ellison, Mr. and Miss Redfern, Mrs. Forde, Mrs. Ebbs, Canavan, Mrs. H. Lumbleton, Miss Le Niven and Mrs. E. H. Pollard.

NEW BOOT FASHION KEEPS DOCTORS BUSY

London, Dec. 8.—Russian boots are keeping London doctors busy. Women wear the knee-high boots of patent or Russian leather on the streets in the morning, but change to slippers for afternoon teas or evening parties. The result is that frequently they take severe colds and subject themselves to the danger of pneumonia.

There is an epidemic of colds and chills, and in a very considerable percentage of the cases the sufferers are women who have been wearing Russian boots. Boots are like woolen underwear, so the doctors say. Once they are put on they must be kept on.

NEED OF PSYCHIATRIC SERVICE DISCUSSED BY SOCIAL LEAGUE

The monthly meeting of the Social Service League was held on Friday, December 4. The president, Dean Quainton, occupied the chair. The general secretary's report showed a great deal of work accomplished. Seven new cases were opened during the month while one hundred and twenty-nine were carried over from October, making a total of one hundred and thirty-six dealt with during November. Out of these nineteen were closed, leaving a balance of one hundred and seventeen to be cared for in December. Three hundred and seventy-eight letters were written during November, while there were one hundred and fifty-three office interviews and two hundred and forty-six over the telephone. In addition to these one hupdred and ninety visits were made.

The advisability of establishing psychiatric service in the city was discussed. From the evidence of the nature of the cases encountered by the league in its work it was felt that such a move would be well justified.

GIRL STUDENTS IN TORONTO WARNED

Victoria College Girls Forbidden to go Out After Dark Alone

Toronto, Dec. 8.—Following the recent visitation of an unknown intruder to Annesley Hall, the Victoria College Women's residence, here, and an outbreak of annoyances to girls, Mrs. Kirkwood, dean of women in University College and head of the Women's Union, has issued a proclamation forbidding university girls to go out after dark unaccompanied.

Mrs. Kirkwood says in part: "Women students are asked not to go out after dark without a companion. There have recently been several cases of assault, the danger of which is infinitely lessened if a woman is accompanied. You are reminded that any one accosting you from a motor car or on the sidewalk may be detaining you with intent. Too great care can not be taken in obeying this precept."

Local Nursing Home to Enlarge Its Activities

The private nursing home conducted by the Misses Janet and Jean McEwan on Hillside and Blanchard Street has succeeded so well that the young women are in the field for larger quarters. During the two years since the opening of their establishment, there has been a steady increase in patronage until it is now necessary to seek a home commensurate with the growing requirements of the work.

It is planned to increase the scope of the institution to include medical as well as maternity nursing, although the latter will continue to be the special work of the nursing home.

For some time past it has been impossible for prospective patrons to be certain of accommodation owing to the limited number of rooms available. Now, the many friends of the home will be interested to learn that in future this difficulty will be overcome.

When more commodious quarters are available the Misses McEwan will arrange to make an immediate addition of a third graduate nurse to the staff and they will continue these additions as required, in order that the highest standard of nursing service may be rendered to their patrons.

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CHRISTMAS PLANS AT ORPHANAGE MADE

Tree and Entertainment Dec. 30; Baby Arthur Growing Bonny

Mrs. Hiscocks presided at the monthly meeting of the ladies' committee of the Protestant Orphans' Home yesterday, when the following members were present: Mesdames Edwards, Dillabough, Elliott, Dorman, Simpson, Fraser, Cox, Wilkerson, Dinsmore, Helmcken, Shepherd, Grimson, Sherwood and Miss Murray.

It was decided to hold the annual Christmas tree and entertainment for the children on December 30 at 3 p.m. Mrs. Elliott and Mrs. Dillabough were appointed visitors for the month.

Three children were added to the home during the month. Little Arthur who was left at the home when two weeks old is now six months old and his bonny appearance is a credit to the excellent care given him.

Following is a list of those to whom the society wishes to express thanks for gifts: Ministering Circle, King's Daughters, dress, baby's bonnet, mitts; Mrs. (Col.) Peters, sack apples; Mrs. Endean, sack apples; Mr. J. A. Sayward, apples, pears; Mr. J. Warnock, sack apples; Mr. F. P. Higgs, three sacks apples; Miss Moore, four boxes apples; St. Aidan's Church, fruit, vegetables; Mrs. Menelaws, boy's coat; Mrs. (Dr.) Bryant, cake, candy; Mrs. Dischaw, twelve loaves bread; Mrs. F. D. Stackpool, baby's pen; C.G.I.T., First Baptist Church, cake; police ball, jelly, cream; St. George's School, groceries, fruit, clothing, cash $15.

B.C. Union of Sawmill Workers of Victoria, $42.80; Mrs. J. D. Virtue, $50; Mrs. Edwin Johnson, $10; Mrs. Thos. Collinge, Ladysmith, $5; Mrs. H. A. S. Morley, $5; Mr. J. F. Dickson, $5; Mrs. Dillabough, $2.50; Mrs. Shephard, $2.50; Mrs. Elliott, $2.50; Mrs. Wilkerson, $2.50; Mrs. Fraser, $2.50; Mrs. Sherwood, $2.50; Mrs. Helmcken, $2.50; Mrs. Hiscocks, $2.50; A Friend, six boys' shirts; Mrs. T. Robertson, baby's clothes; Ready to Help, King's Daughters, dress, one pair stockings, two sweaters; Dr. Lewis Hall; Boy Scouts, basket; Dr. Lewis Hall; Times.

Authors Enjoyed Evening of History And Reminiscence

"An Evening of Reminiscences" was the title chosen for the December meeting of the Victoria and Islands branch, Canadian Authors' Association, held last evening in the library of Victoria College.

At the adjournment of the business meeting, Mrs. A. de B. Shaw, president, felt that the local branch should be congratulated upon the successful efforts of its vice-chairman, Mr. C. C. Pemberton, in having secured the setting aside of Gonzales Hill as the site of a permanent memorial to the early English and Spanish explorers of these coasts. Mr. Pemberton was called upon to give a brief address on the valuable work accomplished by Dr. C. F. Newcombe and Capt. J. T. Walbran. Mr. Pemberton said in part:

"I am confident that our branch will rejoice in seeing that just recognition is now being given to some of Victoria's early writers for the great public benefits accruing from the work of these authors. I refer to the recent dedication of Walbran Park on Gonzales Heights to the memory of the late Capt. John T. Walbran, and to the naming of "Mount Newcombe," in the Queen Charlotte group, after the late C. F. Newcombe, M.D.".

A resolution was unanimously passed by the local branch expressing its appreciation of the splendid work of these two British Columbia authors, scientists and historians.

Mrs. R. B. McMicking was introduced, and in a delightful little address she presented a faithful record of men, women and events in Victoria from 1873 until the present day. The remainder of the evening was spent in interested examination of Mrs. McMicking's twelve very comprehensive scrap-books which were doubly valuable because their compiler was at hand to add side lights and explanations. Mrs. McMicking was warmly applauded for the unique entertainment afforded and before the meeting adjourned she was presented by Mrs. Shaw with a dainty corsage bouquet, the gift of Mrs. Rathom.

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MOTHER'S BOY

A True Story by ROBERT OLIVER UNWIN

During the early portion of the World War I acted as recruiting sergeant in a remote part of Northwestern Canada.

Canada had not as yet adopted conscription, and my business was to advertise in the various districts, get the farmers to a meeting in the village schoolroom, and to expound to them the importance of the call to arms.

My experiences were varied and interesting. Those hardy sons of the Northwest were built of the right material for the making of good soldiers, and history shows how nobly they acquitted themselves.

"Mother's boy," the hero of my story, attended one of my meetings. He was just the boy that would never have thought of being a soldier. His whole nature must have revolted at the thought of killing another man. He had not the streak of a fight in him. His healthy light complexion, cheeks just bursting into bloom, large appealing blue eyes, spoke of everything but butchery. He was an ideal mother's boy. Mother had come with him to the meeting, and when the would-be recruits lined up in front of my table, mother accompanied him along the front line, his left hand resting on her shoulder, her right arm around his waist.

When he appealed to me for enlistment, mother's eyes cast their pleading glimpses into mine, and those eyes spoke to me from the depths of a mother's soul.

I questioned him as to his age, and although he assured me that mother would give her consent for his enlistment, I turned him down on the pretext of "nine months under age."

They took a seat near my table, and, mother wept. But I had grown up children of my own, and I knew they were tears of joy.

Later she stole away from the boy and thanked me, explaining that this was her only son, and she was a widow. She intended him for the Church. She would pray that the war be finished before he came of age. On leaving, the boy handed me his card, it contained one word, Leo.

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In the Summer of 1916 things were moving very rapidly in France and Belgium. Although I was over fifty years of age I had managed, by various devices, to keep up our family tradition, and be in at the fighting. I had served my apprenticeship in the trenches, and along with my battalion was moved down the line to near the town of Poperinge, to take what was termed "a rest."

Our rest consisted of working during the day, and prowling around the town at night. We were like children let loose on a vacation, only, we celebrated in mannish style. Billiards and beer took a lot of our attention, and it was during one of these night carousals that a card was handed to me by a waitress in the billiard room.

On the card was one word, "Leo."

I went to investigate, and there sure enough was the young boy I had turned down in that far away Canadian village. My first impression was to scold him, but his face lit up with smiles, and I must confess his smile seemed to send a ray of sunlight into my soul.

When he came up the line I managed to get him into my platoon. From the commencement he called me "Dad," but his name, to the platoon, was Mother's Boy.

There is a science in warfare known only to those who have been in it. Unknown faculties are brought to light. You can, as it were, smell danger. With unerring judgment you can tell the kind of shell that is passing over you, and determine its nearness. Your eyes can peer into the darkest night. You become accustomed to the roar of the guns, and above their roaring can detect the slightest sound. You are a new being, living in a new world, and I have known many cases where men have seen death itself approach them.

Leo, then, had much to learn.

His first night in the trenches was dramatic and pitiful.

He twitched and ducked unceasingly. I begged him to be calm, try to sleep, but sleep to him was impossible. As it neared eleven o'clock he drew near to me, held his illumined watch in his hand, and gazed at me intently.

Then he placed his left arm around my neck, and seemed as if he would ask me a question.

I asked him, "What is it, Leo?" Through the darkness I could see the tears come into those large blue eyes, and in a trembling whisper he said:

"I promised mother I would pray each night at eleven o'clock. Will it be wrong dad?"

Then he hesitated. "Will the boys laugh at me?"

I must confess my hardened old soul received a pang.

I could not speak as my throat and eyes were full, but I placed my hands on his shoulders, and taking a seat in the side of the trench, let him kneel at my knees.

For fully five minutes, he silently poured forth his prayer to his Creator, and when he rose from the wet sodden trench he stroked my grizzly beard saying, "I prayed for you, Dad."

Was there ever such another boy? I felt that he was the bravest soldier that ever entered France. Proud mother, gallant boy.

The other boys noticed the praying, but in silence they kept their vigil, though many of their hearts were deeply touched.

But Leo soon became accustomed to his new surroundings. At eleven each night we had our silent prayer, and many times it missed my usual ration of rum rather than miss my few minutes with him. Leo never touched the rum. His rich, red blood, coupled with the excitement of the trenches, kept his circulation in perfect order. He did not object to dad taking a "snort," insomuch as he could see that it had the effect of keeping away the terrible cramps from which many of us suffered.

As the weather improved our activities increased. If the enemy did not bring the fighting to us, then we must take it to them.

Night after night we were put out in the trenches on some raiding party, repairing broken lines or disturbed communications, which gave us little rest. Our platoon became known as "lucky number nine," owing to our having had very light casualties, and we became careless, even when facing almost certain death.

Early in June it would appear that we had reached the utmost limit of our luck. One of our platoons had been out during the night to lay some lines of a temporary railway, and had met with terrible disaster. Only a few came back to tell the story.

Lucky number nine were called out the following morning, given the task, and told that the line must be laid, "at no matter what cost." Men over forty years of age were barred from the adventure.

The age limit was a hard blow to Leo. He loved his adopted dad, and had no fear if I was within call of him.

I hastily looked up the sergeant, then the captain, and, as I expected, was allowed to go in Leo's stead.

I do not mention this to portray an act of heroism on my part, but rather to show that I had qualms in letting Leo go after he had expressed himself to me "that he would never return." He had met his own shadow, as we termed it, and as I had no such call, I went forward fearlessly.

To lay the lines in broad daylight, under the nose of the enemy stationary balloon, certainly seemed madness, but, as we always laughingly said, "orders is orders," and we acted accordingly.

It was a terrible experience. We arrived at our destination by traveling some two miles along a deep ravine, but the moment we exposed ourselves to the open the shelling was terrible.

The land was one ploughed mass of shell holes.

We rushed forward with the timber and rails in one long stream, and the shells followed us to and from the gully.

The shell holes were greatly to our advantage, as the shells, bursting low, covered us with dirt, but left us othwise unharmed. It really required a near or direct hit to do us damage, but as fortune again favored lucky number nine, we got away with what our colonel described as a few minor scratches,—such is fate.

On returning, Leo helped me to clean up the dirt I had accumulated, gave me a piece of his mother's wonderful cake, and we were once again a happy family.

That same night I was again called upon for duty. This time it was somewhere far behind the lines, and what we termed a soft job. Leo, supposed to be out in the morning, was not on the list. Like the good boy he was, he arranged to let dad have a rest, and thus repay my compliment of the morning. I felt no concern as to his safety, and slept soundly.

At seven o'clock next morning the boys began to turn in, having done their work and had an uneventful night.

Leo and his friend Bob did not turn in with them.

This did not alarm me, as it was imperative during daylight that a platoon travel in oddments, and thus avoid drawing unneccessary fire from the enemy.

At noon, as they had not yet returned, I felt concerned, but could not get permission to go out and search for them.

Later, about two o'clock, I went boldly to the colonel, stated my case, and permission was granted.

For miles around Ypres there was not a building left standing.

The ground had been churned and churned by shell fire till it resembled the waves of a rough sea.

Naturally we travelled very slow, as every shell hole had to be explored. We searched and searched till dusk, and my heart was growing heavy.

We were very near giving up, when in the distance appeared what seemed to be a lone horse and rider. As we drew near we could discern that the rider was a female, a Sister in nursing uniform.

As we approached her she pointed dramatically to a shell hole at our left, and there, sure enough, was my boy Leo, and his friend Bob.

Side by side they lay, as if asleep.

I rushed into the shell hole, raised the head of Leo, but soon I saw that it was too late.

A stray shell had done its deadly work.

The Sister dismounted, helped us to rearrange the bodies, wiped a streak of blood from the face of Leo, and as she did so I noticed a large tear fall and dropped on Leo's cheek.

A myriad of words or flowers could not have spoken the meaning of grief, as did that one lone crystal.

We reported to the battalion. The next morning, at dawn, we went out with a spade, two blankets, and two rough crosses. Side by side we laid them. On one cross we inscribed, "Bob." On the other, "Mother's Boy." Again I say, "such is fate."

I often look back to those few terrible years I spent in the war, and, picking out the few bright moments, "live them again."

I love to remember the silent communion of prayer in the trenches, let my mind wander far away back to Canada's romantic Northwest, and at eleven at night I often "tune in" to receive the messages which I feel comes to me from two dear departed souls.

Certain I am that Leo did not live in vain.

Very few of "lucky number nine" were spared to return from France, but many a brave soul passed away with a smile on his lips and a prayer in his heart, thankful for having come in contact with Mother's Boy.

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FALL AND DOHENY TRIAL TO GO ON

Washington, Dec. 8. — The Fall-Doheny bribery indictments, which were quashed several months ago in the lower courts here, were held to be valid yesterday by the District of Columbia Court of Appeal.

A plea in abatement filed by former Secretary Albert B. Fall, Edward L. Doheny, oil magnate, and his son, Edward L. Doheny Jr., which the lower court granted, was overruled by Chief Justice George E. Martin on motion of the Government's special oil counsel, Atlee Pomerene and M. J. Roberts.

$30,000,000 DEAL REPORTED

Batavia, N.Y., Dec. 8.—The Batavia Daily News published a story yesterday that control of the Jell-O Company Inc. had been purchased by the Postum Cereal Corapany in a transaction involving $30,000,000.

BABY IN BATH BADLY SCALDED

Here's an incident that occurred the other day, showing the wisdom of always being prepared for an emergency. Baby was having her daily bath and chuckled with glee as she splashed about. In the middle of it mother had to open the door to a caller. Baby was only left a minute or two, but in that short time a serious accident happened. Pussy cat jumped up on to the table and in some way hit against a big bowl of almost boiling hot water, causing it to tilt and upset the contents. Baby was directly underneath and, unfortunately, when the scalding water touched her tender skin she shrieked with pain and terror. This brought mother to the scene in an instant, but too late to prevent the accident. Poor baby's skin was already badly blistered and inflamed and she was screaming to the full extent of her little lungs. Frantically the mother sought for some means to relieve the terrible suffering of her infant.

Then she suddenly remembered a little sample package of Gray's Balm that had been given to her that very morning. She rushed out and got it, hastily smeared it over the injured parts of baby's delicate skin and, two or three minutes later, baby, exhausted with the pain and fright, but soothed by this wonderful salve, was peacefully sleeping. Marvelous, you will say, but true also. Gray's Balm is simply wonderful in its soothing and healing effects in all cases of scalds, burns, cuts, stings, bites and sores. And it does its work so quickly—in five minutes at the outside, and often in a few seconds. It gives surprising results in a wide variety of ailments, such as skin diseases, inflammatory rheumatism, tired feet, neuralgia, coughs and colds, nasal catarrh. It is also excellent to use on delicate skins after shaving.

Gray's Balm, The Wonder Healer, is a safe local anesthetic, also a splendid healer and antiseptic. A full list of its many uses is given with each jar. When you have Gray's Balm in the house you are prepared for any emergency. This wonderful healer is put up in three sizes, at 30c, 50c and $1.00. Nearly all good druggists sell Gray's Balm. If you can't get it, kindly write direct to the makers, The Gray Remedy Company, 542 Robson Street, Vancouver, B.C. (Advt.)

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Wear-Ever Double Boilers Special, $1.49

This is genuine Wear-Ever Aluminumware and would make a practical gift for Christmas; two-quart size; regular $2.65. Special at $1.49

Three Additional Hardware Department Specials

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100 only, 40 watt lamps to clear at 6 for $1.00

Vacuum Bottles
Pint size vacuum bottles, all metal case finished in black enamel. Special at ..... 59¢

Nickel-plated Nut Crackers
100 all steel, nickel-plated nut crackers at, each ..... 10¢
—Lower Main, H.B.C.

Specials in Cups and Saucers and Teapots

Plain White Breakfast Cups and Saucers suitable for everyday use, medium size. Special at, per cup and saucer ..... 10¢
English Teapots, four-cup size, plain brown and band styles. Wednesday Morning, each, 49¢
—Lower Main, H.B.C.



Specials in Toytown

100 Teddy Bears
Size 15-inch, made from a good grade plush. Special ..... 79¢

50c Games
Comprising a wide variety of kinds at 10¢, 15¢, 19¢ and at ..... 25¢

200 Tinker Toys
The popular structural toy that can be made into so many different models. Special ..... 79¢

Metal Body Wheelbarrows
Special for the wee tots. Special at ..... 75¢

Gift Specials in the Drug Section

Lavender Blossoms; 15c value, 2 for ..... 27¢
Old English Pot Pourri. Special at ..... 29¢
Sachet Powder, $1.00 and $1.25 values for ..... 87¢
DeLeige Toilet Water, $3.00 value, for $2.29
Guerlain Perfume, original bottles, $6.00 value $4.85
Cutex Sets, 60c size ..... 49¢
Powder Puffs, large size. Special at ..... 89¢

British Made Military Brushes, mixed bristles and natural color satinwood back. Per pair, $3.50 and $4.00 values for $1.95

Shaving Brushes, bristles set in rubber, $1.00, $1.25 and at $1.75
Whalebone Brushes. Special, $1.19
Absorbent Cotton, 1-lb. rolls, ideal for Christmas snow effects, 59¢
—Main Floor, H.B.C.

Two Special Offerings in Silks

High Grade Spun Silks
A quality that will give you satisfaction and in a weight for all purposes—dresses, lingerie, shirts, etc. Shown in all colors, also white and natural; 29 inches wide. Sale Price, per yard ..... 89¢

Heavy Black Duchess Satins
Woven from pure silk yarns with a bright satin surface. Weight for dresses; 36 inches wide.
A dress length of this satin would make an ideal Christmas gift; regular $2.50. Sale Price, per yard $1.98
—Main Floor, H.B.C.

Pure Linen Fancy Huck Towels, 69c

Fine linen huck towels finished with damask and hemstitched ends; size 18x32. Will make practical Christmas gifts; value $1.00. Special at, each .. 69¢
—Main Floor, H.B.C.

Embroidered Pillow Cases, $1.50 Pair

Made from a fine linen finished cotton and neatly embroidered in many charming designs; size 44x36. Neatly boxed for Christmas giving. Per pair $1.50
—Main Floor, H.B.C.

Beacon Robing, $1.25 a Yard

The popular fabric for dressing gowns, bathrobes, etc., for women's, men's and children's wear. A large choice of colorings and designs to select from; 36 inches wide. Per yard ... $1.25
—Main Floor, H.B.C.

Bead Necklets, Special $1.29

An assortment of bead necklets shown in medium, long and choker styles. Some graduated, others finished with beaded tassel. Choice of turquoise, amber, Pekin, amethyst, red, green, crystal, black and white. Special per string $1.29
—Main Floor, H.B.C.

Women's Gift Gloves at Special Prices

Suede Finished Fabric Gloves
With silk embroidered points and two dome fasteners. Shown in cocoa, beaver, sand, mastic, mode and grey; sizes 6 to 8. Special, per pair, 49¢

Novelty Chamo Suede Gloves
With circular embroidered cuffs finished with one dome fastener. Pull-on style with elastic at wrist. Colors include beaver, mode, tan, cocoa, grey and brown; sizes 6 to 7½. Special, per pair, 69¢
—Main Floor, H.B.C.

Gift Hankies, 3 for 25c

Fine Lawn Handkerchiefs in all white with hemstitched borders, white with colored printed designs and colored handkerchiefs with contrasting rolled edges. Choice of orange, blue, mauve, pink, sand and rose. Special at 3 for ..... 25¢
—Main Floor, H.B.C.

Some Useful Gifts for Men

Irish Lawn Handkerchiefs
Made from extra fine quality lawn with half-inch hemstitched borders. Six in box. Price $1.00

Woven Colored Border Handkerchiefs
Made from fine Irish lawn with assorted woven colored stripe borders. A variety of designs to choose from. 3-in box. Price ..... 69¢

Men's Dressing Robes
Made from fleecy cotton blanket cloth as well as English striped flannel with pockets and cord girdle. A number of neat designs to choose from. Special at, each $8.95
—Main Floor, H.B.C.

Gift Pipes

Regular $1.00 for 69c
Genuine Brier Pipes in a choice assortment of popular shapes. Each pipe in a handy pocket case; $1.00 value for 69c
—Main Floor, H.B.C.

A Bargain in Taffetine Princess Slips



Durable Slips for everyday wear, neatly hemstitched top and shoulder straps of self material. Shown in pink, peach, rose, orchid, navy, black and white. Would make a useful and practical gift. Special, each, $1.19
—Second Floor, H.B.C.

100 Boudoir Caps at 79c Each

Made from good quality wash satin, trimmed with lace medallions, French knots and lace edging. Colors include pink, peach, orchid, maize and sky. Value $1.00. Special at, each 79c
—Second Floor, H.B.C.



Smart Ready-to-wear Hats

Fashioned from good quality felt, offering a choice of large and small shapes, neatly trimmed with bands of ribbon. Shown in brown, fawn, grey, rose and black; values to $3.95. Wednesday Morning Special $1.98
—Second Floor, H.B.C.

Women's Novelty Rubber Aprons for 89c

Made from good quality rubber, large size, trimmed with two pockets and bands of bright colored chintz. Shown in shades of orange, mauve, majenta, green, cerise and blue. Very special at, each ..... 89¢
—Second Floor, H.B.C.

Girls' Novelty Rubber Aprons for 49c

Useful little gifts, in good quality rubber, with hand-painted design. Colors include orchid, peach, green and blue. Special at 49¢
—Second Floor, H.B.C.

Hand-embroidered Irish Linens

Value $2.50 for $1.25

Made from a fine linen of close even, texture and beautifully embroidered in many charming designs; sizes 20x30, a size that can be used for many purposes and will make ideal Christmas gifts. Special at, each $1.25
—Main Floor, H.B.C.

200 Pairs of Three-quarter Bed Size Flannelette Blankets, Special, $1.98 Pair

Another opportunity for Wednesday morning shoppers to save money in the Staple Section. These blankets are thick and soft in quality and are made with pink or blue borders. Size for three-quarter bed size only. Special, per pair $1.98
—Main Floor, H.B.C.

Women's Rayon Silk Hose, Special, $1.79



English make, shown in 4-1 ribbed style with wide hemmed tops, reinforced heels and toes. Shown in rosewood, taupe, nude, cinnamon, grey, brown and russet; sizes 8½ to 10, neatly boxed for Christmas giving. Special $1.79 per pair

Children's Rayon Silk Socks

With elastic ribbed tops and turn down cuffs. Shown in sky, helio, white, peach, sand, brown, pink and buttercup. Sizes 4 to 7½. Special at, per pair 49c
Sizes 8 to 10. Special at, per pair 69c
—Main Floor, H.B.C.

Indian and Cowboy Suits

To Make Happy Boys at Christmas



Imagine their delight and surprise when they open the Christmas package and find inside one of these Indian Chief or Cowboy Suits. The Indian outfit consists of suit and feather headress; sizes 3 to 10 years. Price $1.50

Cowboy Suits, consisting of hat, chaps, gunbelt, holster, lariat and handkerchief; sizes 3 to 10 years. Price $2.50
—Main Floor, H.B.C.

Women's Rubbers 69c a Pair

This season's first quality black and brown rubbers, storm or vamp styles. A splendid opportunity to purchase your Winter rubbers at a remarkably low price. Sizes 3 to 8. Special at, per pair ..... 69¢

No phone orders please
—Main Floor, H.B.C.

100 Window Shades at 75c Each

Standard Size Opaque Window Shades, in green or cream. Complete with brackets and shade pull; size 37 inches by 6 feet. Special, each ..... 75¢
—Third Floor, H.B.C.

Easy Chairs at $37.50

12 only, large comfortable, upholstered chairs, with roll arms, deep spring backs and loose spring cushion seats. Covered with attractive tapestry. Wednesday, each $37.50
—Fourth Floor, H.B.C.

New Wilton Hearth Rugs Special, $9.75

Finest Grade French Wilton Hearth Rugs, finished with linen fringe; size 27x54 inches; regular value $13.50. A special purchase enables us to offer them at this low price. Wednesday morning each $9.75
—Third Floor, H.B.C.

Dainty Gift Neckwear at 69c

Collar and cuff sets of ecru net, trimmed with fine Val. lace, white and colored organdie trimmed with contrasting embroidery; also eyelet embroidered muslin sets, in white and ecru. Special at, per set, 69¢
—Main Floor, H.B.C.



Half-day Savings in Stationery

Boxed Stationery
Containing 24 sheets of suede finished paper and 24 envelopes, suitable for Christmas gifts. Special, per box, 29¢

Sealing Wax Sets
Containing three sticks of wax, assorted colors, packet of candles and candle holder. Regular $2.00. Special at, per set $1.59
—Main Floor, H.B.C.

Half-day Grocery Specials

Finest Quality White Beans, 4½ lbs. for ..... 25¢
White Icing Sugar, in bulk, 3 lbs. for ..... 32¢
Christies' Zephyr Cream Soda Biscuits, per tin ..... 47¢
Libbys Moist Mincemeat, royal jar ..... 45¢
Choice Local Mincemeat, 2 lbs. for ..... 35¢
Prime Beef Suet, per tin, 40¢ and ..... 70¢
Fancy Quality Recleaned Australian Currants, per lb. 17¢
Swansdown Cake Flour, per package ..... 45¢
New California Navel Oranges, per dozen, 35¢, 50¢, 60¢
Finest Japanese Oranges, per box ..... 80¢
Fresh Local Celery, stick, 10¢
Selected Cauliflower, each, 15¢ and ..... 20¢
Good Sound Cooking Onions, 10 lbs. for ..... 25¢
—Lower Main Floor, H.B.C.

Fresh Meat Specials for Wednesday Morning

Tripe, 3 lbs. for ..... 25¢
Hearts, per lb. ..... 8¢
Beef Liver, per lb. ..... 10¢
Stewing Beef, lean, 2 lbs. 25¢
Shoulder Steak, per lb. ..... 15¢
Pork Shanks, per lb., 12½¢
Veal Stew, per lb. ..... 10¢
Veal Shanks, 3 lbs. for ..... 25¢
Hudson's Bay Beef Sausages, 2 lbs. for ..... 25¢
Imperial Pork Sausages, per lb. ..... 25¢
—Lower Main, H.B.C.

PRESIDENT LINER FOUGHT GALES ON WESTBOUND VOYAGE

Wireless Aerial Carried Away at Sea, Replaced With Difficulty

Lost Touch With West O'Rowa After Temporary Aerial Rigged

Strong easterly gales for most of the voyage across the Pacific was the experience of the steamship President Grant, which docked here at 1.45 p.m. yesterday from Yokohama. Capt. M. M. Jensen and officers of the ship appeared thoroughly tired after a fighting passage in which there was little clear weather and frequent strong gales.

When some days out from Japan the wireless aerial of the Admiral Oriental liner carried away, and with most of its fittings went over the side. Another aerial set was rigged and though it served its purpose it did not take the place of the one lost at sea.

Before the mishap the Grant intercepted messages from the West O'Rowa saying that her relief vessel would reach her Sunday last, but after touch with the crippled vessel was lost.

In the holds of the Grant on this trip were 3,200 bales of silk, one of the best silk cargoes to be carried by the liner for some months. Like the last inbound vessel of the Admiral Oriental service the President Grant spent some time at this port discharging Japanese oranges. In all 450 tons of cargo were set ashore here, together with mails, and passengers. Three first and some steerage passengers broke their journey at this point. On board were forty-eight saloon passengers and 150 in the steerage.

The President Grant sailed at 2 a.m. for Seattle to complete the discharge of a good cargo of general Oriental freights.

WHEAT REGION OF CANADA EXTENDED

Early Maturing Varieties Push Border on Prairies Farther North

Success of Experiments Reported by Federal Department of Agriculture

Winnipeg, Dec. 8.—A special dispatch to The Manitoba Free Press from Ottawa says:

"The first effect of the discoveries of Garnet and other early maturing varieties of wheat became apparent yesterday when the Federal Department of Agriculture announced the northern limit of agriculture in Western Canada had been forced back from sixty to seventy-five miles and a vast new empire opened up for productive purposes. The announcement was not issued until the final reports had been received from the Northland, where seed plots were cleared last Spring and where Garnet wheat was planted. Although the seed reached these plots much later than usual, in every case it ripened and was harvested before the frost came.

"The full effect of this discovery can scarcely be imagined. A territory extending from east of The Pas on the Hudson Bay Railway to the Peace River district, and between sixty and seventy miles in breadth, now becomes good mixed farming country.

"Hon. W. H. Motherwell, Minister of Agriculture, who issued the statement, declared he was delighted with the work that had been done.

EXPERIMENTS REPORTED

"The statement follows:

"'During the last season the Federal Department of Agriculture has tried out the possibilities of growing different varieties of cereals, root crops and vegetables at Mile 185 and Mile 137 (north of The Pas) on the Hudson Bay Railway on small plots of cleared land located at these points. The seeds were not received early enough to sow before May 25 at Mile 185 and May 23 at Mile 137, but the long days, with the long sunshine and short nights of the North, causes a quick growth, and with many varieties, astonishingly good results were indicated when these points were visited by an officer of the experimental farms branch about September 18 last. He reported the season had been very favorable in the North, so far as sunshine and rainfall were concerned. All the varieties of wheat, oats and barley had done well, although at Mile 137 a somewhat better showing was made than at Mile 185. The early varieties of each group of these cereals had already been harvested without damage by frost or otherwise, while the latter were practically ready to harvest at the time of his visit, September 18. Vegetables also made a good showing, peas doing especially well. Roots were still somewhat small, but it was expected that they, together with all the other vegetables, would improve considerably during the few weeks following.

FINAL REPORTS AWAITED

"'It is expected the final report of yields, etc., of the different varieties will be available for publication very shortly. Sufficient, however, already has been illustrated, even with the comparatively late sowing of last Spring, to demonstrate further the possibilities of our prairie Northland from The Pas to the Peace River in the growing of wheat and other cereals made possible by the development of such early varieties of wheat as Ruby, Garnet and Reward.

"'A new homestead area would seem inevitable throughout this vast additional semi-wooded area, with its safety-first mixed farming opportunities.'"

The finest thing in the world to keep your stomach in tip-top shape is 15 to 30 drops of Seigel's Syrup in a glass of water. Any drug store.

(Advt.)

ART IS DEAD, SAYS TATTOO KING, FORMER TOWER OF LONDON EXPERT

WHAT do people know about art these days, anyway? Take tattooing for instance—

Now there was old Tom Riley, who headquartered in the London Tower once upon a time and who went to Paris to tattoo the celebrated Clara Ward. They had real shading and design in those days—

And there was Jim Wilson, who learned his stuff from Tom Riley. Jim was staff orderly in the Tower when Queen Victoria died.

Jim is on the Brooklyn waterfront now, with the title of "premier tattoo artist" honorable earned. Jim takes his "art" quite as seriously as any Greenwich Village smock wearer.

He longs for "the old days when," and describes the modern lack of taste in tattooing. Did he not have a stall at the Brussels exposition and again at the Earls Court exhibition in London? He did!

Was tattooing not considered an art in England It was.

It's just too bad. Fully as many folks want themselves decorated with serpents and anchors and ships and bouquets now as ever, but their tastes aren't as esthetic.

Why Jim can remember when a certain noble lady had a tiny rooster placed on her left ankle!

"You just don't see that sort of work any more," Jim sighs. "Anything suits them—just smudgy outline—cheap stuff."

It seems that the cost of this runs as low as $1, whereas intricate designs go as high as $150.

Jim boasts that his own healthy frame is decorated with tattooing art as is—or rather, as used to be.

Altogether, there are 400 designs indelibly etched upon him.

Jim started in the game in 1888, as a soldier in the Scots Guards at London Tower. In recent years he has trailed most of the circuses and sideshows, winding up on the waterfront.

Formerly the tattoo was the mark of the sailor. No seaman could claim to be a real salt unless he had the proper needlemarks on him. They're not so particular any more.

So Jim mourns the passing of art—and administers smudgy outline to those who frequent his shop and plank down their dollars to pay for it.



Jim Wilson, putting on some more etched raiment

CANADIAN PAINTERS REPRESENTED IN LOAN COLLECTION

Delightful Exhibition of Valuable Objets d'Art at Crystal Garden

For many years the public has been clamoring for a permanent art gallery in Victoria. Now, thanks to the indefatigable efforts of the Vancouver Island Arts and Crafts Society, the gallery has been established in the Crystal Garden, and since its inception some of the finest paintings and objets d'art obtainable in Canada have been on exhibition. But the attendance has been disappointingly small, and the promoters feel that art students and art lovers are missing a wonderful opportunity by neglecting to visit the gallery.

FROM NATIONAL GALLERY

At present the gallery is showing a collection of twenty pictures from the National Gallery of Canada and painted by Canadian artists. Carl H. Ahrens, who was born at Winfield, Ontario, is represented by one of the outstanding gems of the collection, "The Road," a study of the fresh beauty which follows rain, with misty skies and graceful trees. Wonderful atmospheric effects and immeasurable distances make a thing of beauty of the "Wayside Cross" by Clarence Gagnon, a Canadian with much European training and experience.

Robert Harris, C.M.G., R.C.A., is the creator of the striking study, "Young Canada," showing a sturdy youngster with a flute. The melting snows of early Spring are shown in "The March Evening," by Maurice Cullen, R.C.A., a Newfoundland artist, while another typically Canadian scene is that of "The Drive," by Lawren S. Harris, showing lumber in progress down a river.

FOREIGN SUBJECTS

Among the non-Canadian artists in the collection from the National Gallery is Francois Flameng, a Parisian, son of Leopold Flameng, the famous engraver. His "Courtyard of the Alhambra" is an outstanding work, showing a group of dancers and spectators in the courtyard of this Moorish palace. The delicate intricacies of the Moorish architecture and the detail of the old costumes are strikingly reproduced, while through the open doorway is a glimpse of snow-clad peaks. Another foreign subject is "The Rag Market at Bruges," by J. W. Beatty of Toronto.

In addition to the exhibit loaned by Ottawa, a number of local collectors have generously loaned priceless paintings and a bric-a-brac for exhibition. Two very old paintings upon glass, show St. Paul's Cathedral and the Tower of London, the moon and its effulgence being depicted by means of mother-of-pearl. These were created many years ago, and the surroundings are unfamiliar, lending historical interest to the pictures.

Two of Garland's pictures, "Highland Sheep" and "Highland Cattle"; two Landseer portraits, an Etty, some quaint pictures depicting mythological subjects from India, are among the miscellany to delight the connoisseur.

VIKING SILVER

The objects d'art on exhibition include very fine specimens of Viking silver loaned by Col. Appleton, together with some Tibetan silver, Chinese and Japanese inlay work. Some exquisite examples of Japanese silk weaving are also among the specimens of Oriental art.

Many delightful and profitable afternoons could be spent in delving among the collection, which would have particular interest for the art students of the local schools. The collection is open daily at 2.30 p.m.

Two incoming liners were reached by wireless last night, the Niagara from Australian and New Zealand giving her position as 1,085 miles from Victoria, and the Africa Maru, from Yokohama, as 1,918 miles off. The O.S.K. vessel has 3,300 bales of raw silk and fifty tons measurment in silk goods, beside a good general cargo of Oriental freights.

MARINE NOTES

Forty first class passengers debarked here from the Emma Alexander inbound at 11 p.m. yesterday from southern points. The Admiral liner in addition carried a good passenger list for her terminals. Some cargo was discharged here.

Westbound in the service of the N.Y.K. line the Kaga Maru cleared from Yokohama on December 3 and will dock here on December 17, according to advices in the hands of local agents to-day. Approximately 200 tons are carried for Canadian discharge, for Victoria, Vancouver and overland. One first and three third class passengers will debark here. For Seattle the Kaga carries a fine cargo, ten saloon and seven steerage passengers.

From San Pedro via Vancouver to discharge the Union Oil tanker La Placentia is expected to reach port to-night with fuel oil for the tanks at Esquimalt.

The Ss. Quinault at mainland ports is due here Thursday to take on lumber at the C.P.S. mills.

The Ss. Bolivia, completing loading of 700,000 feet of lumber here in the last three days, gets away to-night for Melbourne via Tacoma. She loaded at the Rithet piers after arrival last week.

Bound for Vancouver with sugar the Ss. Colusa was spoken by Canadian wireless last night and is expected to pass up direct to-night or to-morrow morning.

Inbound in the coastal trade of the C.G.M.M. the Ss. Canadian Farmer is expected to dock at Ogden Point to-morrow morning with a fair proportion of her cargo for local discharge.

ESQUIMALT I.O.D.E. WILL ASSIST IN CHRISTMAS WORK

The Esquimalt Chapter, I.O.D.E., held their regular monthly meeting yesterday afternoon at "Hillhaven," the residence of the regent, Mrs. C. P. Hill.

Reports on Armistice Day commemoration were heard, Mrs. G. P. Clarke for the graves committee reporting that wreaths had been placed on the graves of sailors and soldiers in the Esquimalt Naval and Military Cemetery and on the Memorial Shrine at St. Paul's Garrison Church. Mrs. Sisman reported that seven members, with the standard, had been present at the Lampson Street School celebration and the chapter had also been represented at the memorial service in town.

The standard bearer and other representatives had also attended the memorial service held in the Armories for the late Queen Alexandra.

It was decided to continue to subscribe for The Illustrated London News to be sent to Lampson Street School. Mrs. R. P. Matheson reported the great success of the bazaar held by the Esquimalt Guides and Brownies, which had had the support of many members of the order.

An appeal by Mrs. Hardie for extra assistance for Christmas for the Friendly Help was met by a promise of contributors for the hampers by each individual member, to be left at the Sailor's Club on Monday or Tuesday of Christmas week, and also by a donation to the funds of $10.

The kind invitation of Mrs. Wolfenden to hold the next meeting at her residence was accepted with much pleasure, the meeting to take place on Monday, January 11, at 3 p.m.

The members were entertained by their hostess after the business meeting, delicious tea being served.

YOUNG WOMAN OUTRAN MASHER AND ARRESTED HIM

New York, Dec. 8.—Miss Leonora Bertini, twenty, teacher of physical culture, chased Louis Mangini, who tried to flirt with her, three blocks, tackled him and led him to a policeman.

PRESENTATION MADE

H. N. Stone, for thirteen years a member of the complement of the cableship Restorer, was the recipient of a purse and a handsome set of pipes yesterday, on the eve of his departure for the United Kingdom, there to rejoin his family. The presentation was made on board ship by the officers and men of the cableship, Mr. Stone replying suitably to the felicitations expressed.

RUNAWAY ENGINE DEATH MISSILE IN SEATTLE YARDS

One Killed, Nine Injured and Many Shaken When Collision Occurs

Feared Switching Engine Was Purposely Run Wild by Malicious Person

Seattle, Dec. 8.—Felix Harder of Seattle, a car inspector, was killed, nine persons were painfully injured and 200 passengers were severely shaken up when a Northern Pacific engine, running pilotless through the yards of the King Street Station here last night, shunted a switching locomotive into the rear of a Great Northern passenger train.

The switching engine bore the brunt of the impact of the runaway locomotive and was much damaged.

Harder was killed as he was uncoupling the locomotive, which had drawn the train here from Portland.

Railroad officials blamed an unknown person for "maliciously and deliberately throwing open the throttle" of the runaway engine. A number of fires in the railroad yards recently and the burning of five box cars on a siding a few miles south last night led suspicion toward a mysterious incendiary.

PRINCE CHARLES UNDER REPAIR AT NORTHERN YARDS

Lines of Canadian National Vessel to be Altered

An extensive contract for the remodeling of the Canadian National steamship Prince Charles is now undertaken by the Prince Rupert drydock. The Prince Charles tied up for the Winter at the northern port some time ago and will undergo extensive alterations before she is again let down into the water.

The present bowsprit stem of the vessel will be changed to straight lines, and a new stern tube will be installed. Considerable alterations will be made otherwise in remodelling the vessel.

Notice to Mariners

Mariners are notified that the wooden spar buoy marking Brown Rock at the entrance to Quatsino Sound, B.C., heretofore reported missing, was replaced on December 5. The new buoy is moored northwest of the rock and is painted red instead of red and black horizontal bands as formerly. Mariners are cautioned not to pass this buoy on the port hand.

Author Passes

Pawling, N.Y., Dec. 8.—William Brown Meloney of New York, author and authority on United States shipping, died to-day. His best known work was his history of United States shipping, "The Heritage of Tyre."

Born in San Francisco in 1878, he ran away to sea at the age of eleven, and when he was sixteen shipped around the Horn as second mate of the S. D. Carlton, the tallest clipper in the world.

Later he became a nwespaper reporter, working in San Francisco and later in New York.

BRITAIN'S ECONOMIC OUTLOOK IMPROVES

Embassy in Washington Points to Indications of Era of Expanding Trade

Published Views of George Harvey Are Declared Altogether Too Gloomy

Washington, Dec. 8.—The economic outlook for Great Britain has improved greatly since the signing of the Locarno pact, the British Embassy here said to-day in a formal statement brought out by an article by George Harvey in The North American Review, in which Mr. Harvey painted a gloomy picture of the British future.

Referring to a recent statement by Sir Esme Howard, British Ambassador to the United States, in which he outlined the necessity of Britain selling her products abroad, the statement said she it should not have been taken as a "warning that Great Britain would not be able to meet her obligations within a measurable distance of time."

CONFIDENCE RETURNS

"We may look ahead," the statement continued, "to a restoration of confidence and credit throughout Europe, and to a re-establishment of European markets which should alter much for the better Britain's economic prospects, and have already begun to do so to a remarkable degree."



IRISH HORSES FOR THE CHASE—Canadian demands for Irish hunters are increasing. This is one of a shipment of four to Ontario.

SECTION HAND KILLED BY CAR

Fellow Worker Lies in Critical Condition With Fractured Skull

Toronto, Dec. 8. — George Kedge was killed and Joseph Smith sustained a fracture of the skull when they were struck by a radial car from Weston as they were working on the Canadian National Railway tracks here Monday. The men, both C.N.R. employees, were from Hamilton. Smith is in a serious condition.

Isis to Load

Seattle, Dec. 8.—Shifting to Tacoma to load 1,100 tons of copper for North European delivery, the German motorship Isis left here late Monday after loading several hundred tons of concentrates. After the copper is loaded the boat will proceed to Vancouver, B.C., for 1,500 tons of grain and some lumber.

Prairie Folks Arrive On Coast For Winter

Movement to the Coast of Prairie people, out to escape the Winter cold, continues.

To-day Mr. and Mrs. George Leshure of Swift Current, and Anthony Riehn of Durensey, Sask., were at the Dominion Hotel.

Mrs. M. Hurlbut and Master Hurlbut, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hicks, of Admiral, Sask., arrived yesterday, but left this morning on the Sol Duc for California.

Mrs. P. Perry, Mrs. R. Hudson, Miss G. Hudson and Mr. and Mrs. A. Moffatt arrived from Moose Jaw at the first of the week. They went on to California yesterday afternoon.

H. V. Philpott has arrived from Edmonton and will remain here at the Strathcona Hotel a day or so.

H. B. Rankin of Lethbridge has arrived at the Dominion Hotel on a Winter trip.

TIMES SHIPPING CHART

OCEAN VESSELS TO ARRIVE

Steamer.	Master.	Ton.	Agent.	From.	Due.
Niagara			Can.-Aust.	Australia	Dec. 10
Asuka Maru			N.Y.K.	Orient	Dec. 12
Africa Maru			O.S.K.	Orient	Dec. 13
Tyndareus			Rithets	Orient	Dec. 14
Kaga Maru			N.Y.K.	Orient	Dec. 17

OCEAN VESSELS TO SAIL

Steamer.	Master.	Ton.	Agent.	For.	To Sail
Yokohama Maru			N.Y.K.	Orient	Dec. 9
Empress of Russia			C.P.R.	Orient	Dec. 12
Philoctetes			Rithets	Orient	Dec. 17
Empress of Australia			C.P.R.	Orient	Dec. 26
Africa Maru			O.S.K.	Orient	Dec. 29

C.G.M.M. MOVEMENTS

Canadian Freighter left Vancouver for Avonmouth, Liverpool, Glasgow, November 26.

Canadian Highlander arrived Glasgow November 25.

Canadian Rover left Ocean Falls for Astoria November 28.

Canadian Observer arrived Ocean Falls December 1.

Canadian Planter arrived Vancouver November 19.

Canadian Miller arrived Montreal November 24.

Canadian Winner left Norfolk for London.

Canadian Coaster left San Francisco for Victoria November 28.

Canadian Importer arrived Antwerp November 19.

Canadian Transporter arrived Vancouver October 5.

Canadian Ranger arrived Barnet November 28.

Canadian Pioneer arrived Vancouver November 26.

Canadian Seigneur left Quebec for Vancouver November 22.

Canadian Voyageur left Brisbane for New York October 31.

Canadian Trooper arrived Vancouver November 6.

Canadian Inventor left Vancouver for New York and Halifax November 21.

Canadian Skirmisher left Panama Canal for Avonmouth, Swansea, Liverpool and Glasgow November 15.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET

Time of sunrise and sunset (Pacific standard time) at Victoria, B.C., for the month of December, 1925:

Day	Sunrise Hour	Min.	Sunset Hour	Min.
7	7	51	4	19
8	7	52	4	19
9	7	52	4	19
10	7	53	4	18
11	7	55	4	18
12	7	56	4	18
13	7	57	4	18
14	7	58	4	18
15	7	59	4	18
16	7	59	4	18
17	8	00	4	19
18	8	01	4	19
19	8	01	4	19
20	8	02	4	20
21	8	02	4	20
22	8	03	4	21
23	8	03	4	21
24	8	04	4	22
25	8	04	4	22
26	8	05	4	23
27	8	05	4	24
28	8	05	4	24
29	8	05	4	25
30	8	06	4	26
31	8	06	4	27

The Meteorological Observatory, Gonzales Heights, Victoria, B.C.

TRANSPACIFIC MAILS

December, 1925
China and Japan

Alabama Maru—Dec. 6; mails close 4 p.m.; due at Yokohama Dec. 22.

Empress of Russia—Dec. 12; mails close 5 p.m.; due at Yokohama Dec. 24, Shanghai Dec. 28, Hongkong Dec. 31.

President Grant—Dec. 17; mails close 4 p.m.; due at Yokohama Dec. 29, Shanghai Jan. 3, Hongkong Jan. 7.

Empress of Australia—Dec. 26; mails close 5 p.m.; due at Yokohama Jan. 5, Shanghai Jan. 13, Hongkong Jan. 16.

President Madison—Dec. 29; mails close 4 p.m.; due at Yokohama Jan. 10, Shanghai Jan. 15, Hongkong Jan. 19.

Kaga Maru—Dec. 31; mails close 4 p.m.; due at Yokohama Jan. 17.

Australia and New Zealand

Niagara—Dec. 16; mails close 5 p.m.; due Auckland Dec. 4; Sydney Jan. 2.

Sonoma—Dec. 19; mails close 4 p.m.; due Sydney Jan. 12.

Makura—Dec. 27; mails close 4 p.m.; due Wellington Jan. 18, Sydney Jan. 23.

COASTWISE MOVEMENTS

For Vancouver

C.P.R. steamer leaves daily at 2.15 p.m.

C.P.R. steamer leaves daily at 11.45 p.m.

From Vancouver

C.P.R. steamer arrives daily at 7 a.m.

C.P.R. steamer arrives daily at 3 p.m.

For Seattle

C.P.R. steamer leaves daily at 4.30 p.m.

Sol Duc leaves daily at 10.15 a.m.

From Seattle

C.P.R. steamer arrives daily at 1.15 p.m.

Sol Duc arrives daily at 9.30 a.m.

Alaska Route

B.C. Coast Service: From Victoria Oct. 6, 16, 27; Nov. 18, 27; Dec. 11 at 11 p.m.

West Coast Route

B.C. Coast Service: From Victoria, first, eleventh and twenty-first of each month at 11 p.m.

Portland Canal Route

Canadian National: On Mondays at 8 p.m. for Stewart and Anyox.

Union Steamships: Every Friday from Vancouver at 9 p.m. for Prince Rupert, Anyox, Stewart, etc.

Prince Rupert Route

Union Steamships: Every Tuesday at 11 p.m. and every Friday at 9 p.m. from Vancouver for Alert Bay, Port Hardy, Prince Rupert, etc.

Canadian National: Mondays from Vancouver at 8 p.m.

Auto Ferries

Mill Bay Ferry (bridging Island Highway at Malahat)—Leaves Verdier Avenue, Brentwood 7.30 a.m., 9 a.m., 11 a.m., 1.30 p.m., 3 p.m. and 5.15 p.m. Leaves Camp Point, Mill Bay, 8.15 a.m., 10 a.m., 12 noon, 2.15 p.m., 4.30 p.m. and 6.15 p.m.

TIDE TABLE

December

Day	Time	Ht.	Time	Ht.	Time	Ht.	Time	Ht.
	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.
7	1.33	3.3	10.31	8.7				
8	2.12	3.9	10.36	8.7				
9	2.46	4.5	10.56	8.5	16.46	5.6	22.34	5.8
10	3.14	5.2	11.09	8.7	18.57	4.9		
11	0.14	6.0	3.33	5.8	11.30	8.9	19.08	4.0
12					11.52	9.1	19.33	3.1
13					12.14	9.4	20.06	2.2
14					12.37	9.6	20.43	1.3
15	0.59	7.8	7.23	7.8	13.01	9.9	21.22	0.7
16	0.47	8.5	8.34	8.1	13.27	9.9	22.02	0.4
17	7.22	8.4	9.36	8.3	13.57	9.8	22.44	0.5
18	7.54	8.7	10.45	8.2	14.34	9.5	23.28	0.8
19	8.28	8.8	12.02	8.2	15.19	8.8		
20	0.16	1.5	8.51	8.9	13.28	7.7	16.03	8.0
21	11.04	2.4	9.18	9.0	14.59	7.0	17.08	7.1
22	11.54	3.4	9.46	9.0	16.28	6.1	20.23	6.2
23	12.47	4.5	10.13	9.1	17.34	5.2	22.52	6.1
24	3.27	5.6	10.39	9.2	18.22	4.5		
25			11.04	9.3	18.58	3.4		
26			11.29	9.4	19.32	2.6		
27			11.55	9.6	20.05	2.1		
28			12.22	9.6	20.38	1.7		
29	6.39	8.7	8.08	8.6	12.47	8.6	21.12	1.5
30	7.14	8.8	8.56	8.7	13.06	9.4	21.47	1.5
31	7.46	8.8	9.47	8.6	13.22	9.2	22.23	1.7

The time used is Pacific standard, for the 120th Meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The figures for height serve to distinguish high water from low water. Where blanks occur in the table, the tide rises or falls continuously during two successive tidal periods without turning.

The height is in feet and tenths of a foot, measured from the average level of lower low water.

Esquimalt—To find the depth of water on the sill of the dry dock at any tide, add 18.9 feet to the height of high water as above given.

SEATTLE WOMAN HEADED POST-WAR WORK IN MOSCOW

Journalist Returns on Furlough After Four Years in Russia

President Grant Carries Many on Business Missions to Old and New World

Taking six months' rest after four years of strenuous effort in Moscow where she is a leading figure at the head of the American Industrial School in the Russian centre, Miss Anna Strong, journalist and educationist, was a prominent passenger returning to this continent on board the President Grant last evening.

Miss Strong, formerly resident at 508 Garfield Street, Seattle, took advantage of the long wait of the Grant here to go ashore and see something of the city. For the last four years her work has been in the Russian metropolis, where the efforts of the American Industrial School are endeavoring to cope with conditions which arose as a result of the changing fortunes of that country in the post-war period.

Miss Strong before leaving to take up her work in Moscow was well known in journalistic circles on this continent. She will return to Moscow in March next year, to resume her work there under the same auspices.

The Misses Ruth and Florence Sparling, returning from a Chinese mission post to enter High School in Ontario, were Canadian passengers on board the liner, and the youthful travelers will finish their education in Canada before returning to the Orient again.

Archibald MacArthur, a marine engineer of Greenock, Scotland, is on a brief furlough to his home after some years spent in the Far East. Mr. MacArthur says engineering and power development in China is somewhat at a standstill as a result of the incessant fighting between rival generals for control of the country. To his mind the present struggle will clarify the situation and may place China in the position where she will develop a national outlook, more unified than ever before in her recent history. Mr. MacArthur debarked at this point and will continue his journey by easy stages.

Also debarking at this point was John K. Heughen, theatrical manager, who comes to Canada to continue in that calling after some years in the Orient. Mr. Heughen will make his headquarters at Vancouver for the next few days.

Theodore Diedrickson of Riga, Latvia, inspector of the salt gabelle at Sungkiang, is en route to his home after some years' work in the Orient, and will return after a brief furlough to resume his duties at the Chinese district of Sungkiang.

Shinjiro Kurokawa, former vice-president of the N.Y.K. Line, is bound to Washington, D.C., on business. Mr. Kurokawa could give no confirmation of the talked-of shipping merger in the Orient among Japanese lines.

Charles C. Shedd and family are taking their ifrst holiday in nine years. Mr. Shedd is an official of the Y.M.C.A. in the Chinese interior.

Paul Cotton, Oriental manager for the American Milk Products Company; Martin J. Heller, well known mining engineer of New York; Marks Levine, concert manager for Micha Levitski, the pianist; George N. Palmer of the Columbia Pacific Shipping Company; and others on business missions made up the saloon complement of the liner.

SPOKEN BY WIRELESS

Dec. 7, 8 p.m., shipping:

CANADIAN FARMER, 318 miles from Victoria, inbound.

IWATESAN MARU, San Francisco for Vancouver, 400 miles from Estevan.

EASTMOOR, Santos for Vancouver, 115 miles southwest of San Francisco.

NANAI MARU, Milke for Vancouver, 950 miles from Estevan.

COLUSA, San Francisco for Victoria, 292 miles from Victoria.

KATSURA MARU, Japan for Vancouver, 49.09 N. 161.55 W.

AFRICA MARU, Japan for Victoria, 1,918 miles from Victoria.

NIAGARA, 1,085 miles from Victoria.

Dec. 8, 8 a.m., weather:

Estevan—Part cloudy; southeast; ten miles; 29.91; 48; moderate.

Pachena—Part cloudy; east; fresh; 30.01; 45; heavy swell.

Cape Beale—Cloudy; east; light; 29.95; light swell.

Banfield—Clear; calm; 29.81; 38; smooth.

Prince Rupert—Clear; calm; 29.79; 55; smooth.

Cape Lazo—Rain; calm; 30.10; 41; smooth.

Alert Bay—Cloudy; southeast; gales; 30.02; 50; rough.

Bull Harbor—Part cloudy; southeast; fresh; 29.78; 48; moderate.

CHRISTMAS MAIL

During the holiday season many people transmit their Christmas and New Year's greetings by means of small cards enclosed in visiting card envelopes or diminutive envelopes of a similar nature.

The use of small envelopes is discouraged by the Post Office Department for many reasons.

Small envelopes cannot be satisfactorily passed through the electric postmarking machine. The cancellation mark covers too great a portion of the surface, obliterating in many instances a part of the address. This necessitates picking out the small envelopes from the other letters and detailing employees to stamp them by hand.

The small size of the envelopes renders the sortation and the making up of bundles more difficult and hampers the work of the office at a time when it is most desirable to handle the mails as expeditiously as possible.

The public can assist the Post Office by refraining from using envelopes smaller than three inches by four inches.

Overseas League Told of Aims of Navy League Work

At the regular meeting of the Overseas League held yesterday afternoon in the dining-room at David Spencer's, W. M. Hotham addressed the members on the subject, "The Navy League." In the absence of the president, Canon Rinchliffe, Rev. Dr. Bolton introduced the speaker.

Mr. Hotham explained the ideals and efforts of the Navy League—the latter being divided into three parts—the first to foster sea spirit throughout the Dominion of Canada; second, to train the next generation to take their places in the service of the country, and third, to help to look after those at sea or their dependents.

He urged that boys be encouraged to follow the sea as a profession, that the discipline taught created efficiency and smartness and gave them a love of country and of home. In respect to the work of the Navy League in Victoria, the organization was endeavoring, he stated, to have life-saving ships on the West Coast of the Island as well as making efforts to look after the local coast line.

A hearty vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Hotham by the assembled members.

A letter from the secretary, Mrs. Lamborn, citing work accomplished in placing domestic immigrants was read by Mrs. A. E. Hodgins.

Thirteen new members have joined the Victoria Branch of the Overseas League since July, a branch which has the largest membership in Canada. A grant of $5 was voted to the Solarium Fund.

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3.00 p.m.	4.00 p.m.
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CHRISTMAS IN OLD COUNTRY

Travel to the Old Country is again made convenient for passengers this year through the special Yuletide "train-to-ship" service afforded by the Canadian Pacific Railway.

Tourist sleeping cars will be carried through to ships' side at Saint John, N.B., leaving Vancouver as follows:

November 29 for sailing of "Montrose" to Liverpool, December 5.

December 4 for sailing of "Melita" to Cherbourg, Southampton and Antwerp, December 10.

December 5 for sailing of "Metagama" to Liverpool, December 11.

December 10 for sailing of "Montclare" to Liverpool, December 16.

December 17 for sailing of "Montnairn" to Liverpool, December 23.

For further information and reservations apply at ticket offices at 1102 Government Street.

Cowichan Lake Direct Service. Take Canadian National Railways motor coach from Point Ellice depot, 9.00 a.m. daily, except Sunday.

CANADIAN NATIONAL STEAMSHIPS

Steamer Prince Rupert will leave Vancouver every Monday at 8 p.m. for Stewart and Anyox, calling at Powell River, Ocean Falls and Prince Rupert.

Steamer Prince John will leave Vancouver fortnightly for Queen Charlotte Island points.

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS

"Continental Limited" leaves Vancouver 9.50 p.m. daily Edmonton, Saskatoon, Winnipeg, Ottawa and Montreal, making connections for other eastern points. Carries through all-steel standard and tourist sleeping cars, dining car and drawing-room, compartment, library, observation car, equipped with radio.

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The City Council was last night informed by Manager D. A. S. McGregor of the B.C. Fire Underwriters' Association that sending city fire fighting equipment on calls in nearby municipalities should be discountenanced, save in emergencies. The opinion was referred to the fire wardens.

The Saanich Central Ratepayers' Association last night at Tolmie School decided to organize public meetings in every ward where a Ward Ratepayers' Association is not actively functioning. The first of the series will be held in Ward Seven on Friday evening next at Tillicum School. Discussions will commence at 8 o'clock and taxation matters will be the chief subject of debate, with representatives of the rural districts of Saanich attending to present the views of the farmers.

R. H. B. Ker last night drew to the attention of the City Council to the failure of firemen, operating fighting equipment at speed, to give adequate warning of approach. He feared serious accidents would occur unless sirens are sounded. The council will call for more persistent warning being given by the firemen.

Lindley Crease, K.C., will address the Real Estate Board of Victoria at its luncheon to-morrow afternoon at the Chamber of Commerce, speaking upon "Succession Duties." Members will be asked to express opinions as to the continuance of membership in the Northwest Realty Association and the National Association. The committee on city management will present a report.

The Ward Four Saanich Ratepayers' Association will hold a public meeting for discussion of Health Centre affairs on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock at Marigold Hall. Ratepayers and residents of all parts of Saanich are invited to take part in the proceedings, in view of the intention of the Municipal Council to submit to the voters a referendum as to the future policy to be adopted in regard to the Health Centre. Reeve Macnicol, Councillor Stubbs, H. H. Grist and others will lead the debate, which will be thrown open to general discussion.

BICYCLE THIEF CONVICTED ON THREE CHARGES

Charles Houston Gets Three Two-month Terms For Theft

One of the fastest working bicycle thiefs that has ever paid a visit to the city, according to police officers, is Charles Houston of Vancouver, who pleaded not guilty to three different charges of bicycle theft today, and who was convicted on each of them. Houston will serve three two-month terms, a total of six months, for the three charges. Houston stole three bicycles in one day.

On Friday, according to the prisoner's own story, he came to Victoria from Vancouver. He had been drinking, he said, and declared that his recollection of having taken the three bicycles were hazy. But he did not deny taking them. They were the property of three young boys of this city, all of whom are earning money in one way or another with their cycles.

Constable George Varley arrested Houston. Houston pleaded that he was under the influence of liquor at the time he tried to sell the bicycles.

There had been numerous bicycle thefts in Victoria of late, said Magistrate Jay, and the practice must be stamped out, he added. He would deal severely with culprits found guilty of this offence, he said. The magistrate sentenced Houston to two months on each of the three counts.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

LOST—Saturday, one pointer dog, from Oliphant's Lumber Camp, Malahat. Finder please advise camp or phone 5147. 2156-1-131

NEWS IN BRIEF

The Saanich School Board will meet at Royal Oak Municipal Hall to-morrow evening at 7.30 o'clock.

The Mission Band of the Metropolitan United Church will stage a Christmas concert in the Sunday School on Friday evening, December 11, at 8 o'clock.

Thursday of Christmas week was officially designated market day by the City Council after receiving a request from the Market Stallholders' Association for the change from Saturday.

The Saanich Merchants' Association last night at Tolmie School briefly discussed the municipal trades license, but deferred definite action until the next meeting, early in January.

The meat stores of the city will be closed from Thursday evening, December 24 to Monday morning, December 28, according to an announcement made by one of the leading butchers this morning. This decision is practically unanimous.

Taggers are urgently needed to assist with Saturday's street collection in aid of the W.C.T.U. Refuge Home on Ida Street. Any woman or girl willing to volunteer is asked kindly to communicate with Mrs. John Hall, Belmont Avenue.

Robert Webb, secretary of the local branch of the Automobile Club of British Columbia, received a telegram from Seattle to-day to the effect that the ninety-day regulation fee for tourists entering the United States is now in effect.

R. W. Mayhew, president of the Victoria Rotary Club, will be the chief speaker at the Friday luncheon of the United Commercial Travelers. The luncheon will be held in Spencer's dining-room and will commence at 12.05 p.m.

Ward Two Liberals will hold their annual general meeting Friday, December 11, at 8 p.m., in the Liberal headquarters. Election of officers for the ensuing year will take place. Everybody interested in Liberalism and the ward activities are invited.

W. T. Pye of 971 Cloverdale Avenue is the gratified possessor of an autograph photograph of Queen Marie of Rumania, which she sent him as an acknowledgement of his congratulations to her on the excellent series of articles from her pen and recently syndicated.

The City School Board last night applied to the City Council for reservation for school purposes of two reverted lots adjacent to the Margaret Jenkins School. The board proposes to extend the school playgrounds. The Lands Committee was asked for a report.

Charged with failing to have a license to carry on his business as agent here for an Eastern rubber manufacturing concern, S. J. Jones made a plea of not guilty before Magistrate Jay to-day. He was remanded for further hearing to-morrow.

The annual meeting of the Engineering Institute of Canada, Victoria branch, will be held at 25 Brown Building to-morrow evening at 8.15 o'clock. The election of officers for the ensuing year will take place. G. B. Mitchell will give an address on South America.

Mellor Brothers Limited last night complained to the City Council against rental charges for water meters. Since 1913 the firm has paid $153 in rentals for a meter which, when installed, cost less than one-fourth of that sum and at to-day's prices can be replaced for half the charges paid. Water Commissioner Preston will report.

Lindley Crease, K.C., will address a meeting to-night in the Congregational Church upon the subject of the Locarno pact. The affair is being staged under the auspices of the ladies' auxiliary to the Y.M.C.A. The meeting will start at 8 o'clock and will be presided over by Right Rev. Bishop Schofield. Sir Richard Lake will also speak.

The City Council last night referred to City Engineer Preston a recommendation from the Chamber of Commerce that enameled street name signs be placed at 286 street corners. The sample submitted by the chamber being made in Vancouver, aldermen suggested the Engineer should investigate the possibility of obtaining equally suitable signs of Victoria manufacture.

Pon Poy Lung, held on a charge of vagrancy, was to-day charged in the city police court with attempted arson and will to-morrow make a plea and choose between the high and low courts for trial. Magistrate Jay gave the accused that option to-day. Lung made no plea, except to profess his innocence to the interpreter. But the court did not learn his intentions in regard to his defence.

In a debate at the High School last night between a team led by Mr. Weston of the Night School's Public Speaking Class and R. G. Miller's team, the latter won the verdict. Owing to the absence of H. G. Hinton, Capt. Hugh Allan spoke twice for the affirmative. Mr. Newell and Mr. Stables supported Mr. Wootton in the negative. The resolution was "That inter-ally war debts should be cancelled."

The regular monthly meeting of the Burns Club will be held in the Elks' Hall, Douglas Street, on Wednesday at 8 p. Three addresses will be given by members of the club as follows: "Thomas Campbell, Author of the Pleasures of Hope," by William Mackay; "J. M. Barrie, Novelist and Playwright," by Capt. A. M. Boyd, and "James Thomson, Author of The Seasons," by John Hosie, president of the club. Songs will be sung by Mrs. J. C. Shaw, Robert Morrison and R. Brydon, and R. Burns Law will give violin selections.

The by-law authorizing the issuance of a bond for $12,000, which sum will be required to build the new Esquimalt High School, will be read for the first time at the next meeting of the Esquimalt Council, it was decided last night at a meeting of that body. The by-law, which will make possible the exemption for ten years from taxation the plant of the Beach-Eakins Company, jam manufacturers, within the Esquimalt municipality, will also be given first reading at the next meeting. These by-laws will be before the electors at the municipal elections

WEARY MEMBERS SLEEP IN CHAIRS, OTHERS MUNCH CHOCOLATE BARS AND APPLES, WHILE EVEN PREMIER NODS

British Columbia's Legislature, locked in a relentless struggle between the Oliver Government and the Pooley Opposition, presented a strange and somewhat pathetic spectacle by 4.25 this morning when it finally went home to bed. Some members were dozing in their chairs, others were stretched out on couches in their offices, still others were consuming ham and eggs in alarming quantities in the restaurant upstairs, and a few gallant souls, who refused to leave the House, were chewing chocolate bars to avoid starvation.

By midnight the word went around that the Opposition intended to hold the House all night. A few minutes later Liberal whips made it known that the Government would stick it out just as long as its opponents. It was a merciless battle of endurance from the start with whips refusing to arrange pairs so that members could go home. A few pairs were arranged privately but most members had no option but to make a night of it.

By 2.30 o'clock Premier Oliver appeared to be dozing in his chair with his hands folded peacefully across his vest. Occasionally he opened his eyes while R. H. Pooley and other Opposition members lectured him on such things as the traveling expenses of a horticulturist somewhere in the Okanagan.

On the other side of the House Mr. Pooley, after speaking a great part of the night, was sitting back in his chair, munching chocolate bars and letting J. W. Jones and some of his other lieutenants carry on the fight.

Charles Woodward, oldest member of the House, refused flatly to go home to bed and snoozed at his desk.

MRS. SMITH AT DESK

At 2.30 Mrs. Mary Ellen Smith emerged from the House but when she was asked if she had had enough she replied indignantly: "I should say not! If the rest can stand it I can. I'll stay all night if I have to." She spent her time writing letters in her office and was in her seat when the House adjourned.

Members of the Government seemed to enjoy the proceedings. Hon. J. D. MacLean, Minister of Finance, who was piloting the estimates through the troubled waters, watched the Opposition benignly, dropping out into the corridors every hour or so for a cigarette.

Attorney-General Manson and Hon. William Sloan amused themselves by munching bright red apples which appeared mysteriously from somewhere in large numbers.

The House being in committee all night Mr. Speaker Buckham, still in his black robes, sat in the Government benches and voted with the Government in some of the divisions.

WIVES WATCH MEMBERS

The galleries by this time were deserted save for two or three minister's secretaries and three ladies, wives of the members, who watched the proceedings below listlessly. Newspaper correspondents lolled in the press gallery thinking unkind things about the Legislature.

Meanwhile Opposition leaders, who were counted upon to carry on the wrangle over estimates, were reported to be sleeping in systematic shifts on couches in the Conservative rooms. One or two enterprising members established themselves comfortably on the big, soft couches of the Provincial Library, where they slept happily except when division bells called them to vote. The restaurant was full of others who were more hungry for food than they were for oratory. A friendly game of bridge was under way somewhere else.

By 3.30 this morning it was generally understood that the session would go without interruption until midnight to-night if need be. Along about this time, however, the House sensed a distant rumbling in the corner occupied by Major R. J. Burde, of Alberni, who had remained strangely subdued all night, except for a few casual but devastating remarks. When the Major got to his feet it was evident that he intended to make a real speech. He didn't propose, he said, to allow the independent members like himself to be kept up all night when they should be enjoying their beauty sleep simply to satisfy the party considerations of the rest of the House. Accordingly, he would speak himself until 6 in the morning or so just to show the Government and the Opposition how it felt to be lectured sixteen hours a day.

HORRIBLE FACTS BARED

He produced a mysterious report of the Agricultural Department which he invariably produces on such occasions and launched into a blood-curdling description of the highly reprehensible conduct of potato bugs in eating grasshopper eggs in the Okanagan Valley—or the highly reprehensible conduct of grasshoppers in eating potato bugs. The House wasn't sure which and cared less. With alarming detail the Major told of the horrors of the insects' warfare and whenever he was interrupted he would start all over again, reciting at length authorities for his statements. The Major's speech was shaping up like the brook which ran on forever and the Government evidently decided that the only thing to do was to dam this stream at its source before it did more damage. At last, just before 4.30 the Premier, in a husky, sleepy voice, moved for adjournment and the House went home to bed.

OBITUARY

There passed away on Tuesday morning at the Royal Jubilee Hospital, Agnes Wilson, aged seventy-five years, of 1426 Gladstone Avenue. The late Mrs. Wilson was born at Nottingham, England, and resided in Victoria for the past eighteen years. She is mourned by her husband, Alex. Wilson of the above address, one daughter, Mrs. Edwin Tomlin of Woodley Road, Mt. Tolmie, and one son, John Wilson, of Kincaid, Sask. The funeral will take place on Thursday afternoon from McCall Bros.' funeral home to Metropolitan United Church, where services will be held at 2.30 o'clock, after which interment will be made at Ross Bay Cemetery.

On Wednesday evening in the New Thought Temple, Pandora Street, Dr. Arthur F. Barton will deliver a lecture on "Exploring the Subconscious Mind."

Can you estimate the number of beans in a jar? See J. Rose's window, 1013 Government Street and you may win a $250.00 Diamond Ring.

B.C. NICHOLAS NEW PRESIDENT OF KIWANIS CLUB

Splendid Year Reported by Secretary Stocker

B. C. Nicholas was to-day unanimously elected President of the Victoria Kiwanis Club for the coming year, Harold Diggon retiring in his favor. Other officers elected are as follows:

Vice-president, Atwell D. King; treasurer, C. W. Pangman (acclamation); district trustee, Dr. Howard Miller; directors, Mark Graham, L. H. Griffiths, A. E. Humphries, Dr. G. Kenning, W. S. Norrington, W. B. Revercomb and Elwood C. Watkins.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary Carl Stocker's annual report showed that the club has now 105 members, having started the year with 110, dropped sixteen members and admitted eleven to membership.

Addresses during the year have been given by:

Outside speakers: A. A. Somerville, M.P., Right Rev. Bishop Brewing, Vladimir Rosing, J. L. Paton, M.A., Chesley Ray C. Long and Nelson A. Harkness.

Local speakers: Dr. S. F. Tolmie, M.P., Hon. E. D. Barrow, M.P.P., Mayor Carl Pendray, Major Clarke, Dr. Wace, H. E. Tanner, W. E. Harper, Rev. W. W. Bolton, Alderman E. S. Woodward, T. H. Cochrane and Charles D. S. Roberts.

Club members: Hon. Dr. J. D. MacLean, Dr. Wilson, B. C. Nicholas, Jack C. McDowell, Walter Walker, Arthur Denny, Kenneth Ferguson, Howard Russell, Atwell D. King, Hugh Allan, Dr. Gordon Kenning, Hugh Leigh and W. G. Gaunce.

Secretary Stocker recalled the club had held joint meetings with the Canadian Club when Victoria was visited by Baron Byng and General Sir Arthur Currie.

During the year the Club was entertained by the following artists: Mrs. W. D. Todd, Mrs. Ada Wise, Miss Anita Holt, Mrs. D. M. Morton, Mrs. Styles Sehl, Madame Valda, Mrs. Arthur Dowell, Miss Ella Pottinger, Miss Nora Jones, Miss Justin Gilbert, H. H. Hollins, Mrs. Gibson, Mrs. D. B. McConnan, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Groves, Mr. Tickle, Mr. Brydon, Mr. Jacques, Coliseum Players, and the Frank Morton Musical Comedy Company.

In addition, the following members provided entertainment features: Frank Partridge, Tom Kelway, Harry King and Cecil Heaton, while the various committees have put on many novel stunts.

During the year the Victoria Club visited the Kiwanians of Port Angeles and in April received a visit from the Vancouver Club, which brought over sixty-five members and presented a splendid programme. The New Westminster Club also sent a strong delegation in July.

International Kiwanis President John H. Moss visited the Club and District Governor James P. Neal of Walla Walla was also a guest.

Secretary Stocker congratulated the Under-privileged child committee and the Attendance Committee for their efficient work during the year just closed, the former having taken charge of seven lads.

A Kiwanis Forum has recently been organized, the first two sessions being very successful.

MEMBERS INQUIRE INTO METHODS OF GETTING LICENSES

Beer Operations and Politics Closely Entwined, Witnesses Tell Committee

How the beer license for the Palace Hotel, Hastings Street, Vancouver, was refused, was sold to the Public Accounts Committee of the Legislature to-day by J. McSorley, one of two applicants who endeavored to get a license for the same hotel.

At one stage Commissioner Davidson informed McSorley that he would get the license, said McSorley. Then a communication from Hon. Dr. W. H. Sutherland, an old personal friend, reached him, he stated, to the effect that he had better not go ahead with his improvements. Prior to this McSorley had paid his license fee. McSorley said that he then went to Commissioner Davidson and was told that "the matter was purely political."

The witness said W. T. McArthur called him up and told him he was not going to get his license.

"Bill McArthur was the king-pin in the system," he stated.

There was another application for a license in the Palace Hotel by a man named Dixon, McSorley said, and he was tipped off to see Dixon. He went to Dixon, who told him that before he would withdraw his application McSorley must pay him $2,800 and take in H. P. Jones, described as a deputy sheriff and Liberal worker, as a one-third partner.

McSorley stated that he never got the license although he had paid his fee, leased the premises and was prepared to spend about $8,000 on improvements. He refrained from this expenditure, however, because of the difficulties he encountered, he said. The witness said he was promised the sixtieth license in Vancouver, but was finally turned down and the Astoria Hotel got the sixtieth.

CUT-OVER LAND PROBLEM BEFORE FOREST EXPERTS

Reforestation Policies and Fire Prevention Operations Debated To-day

The protection Committee of the Western Forestry and Conservation Conference this morning discussed at the Empress Hotel the problems created by cut-over lands, the burden of taxation on such territory and methods of financing fire protection services.

There was a large attendance of forestry experts.

Hon. W. V. Fuller of Oregon pointed out the great loss to State and landowner resulting from abandonment of cut-over lands in Michigan, where lack of protection had destroyed all hope of ever raising future timber crops on seven million acres. Lack of re-forestation policies and fire prevention operations were blamed for this economic loss. Mr. Fuller considered that chances for re-forestation are to-day far better than they have ever been, as a result of the direction of public attention to the urgent need of foresight.

W. D. Humiston of Idaho brought the matter to the attention of the protection committee of the Conference, with a brief summary of the conditions in his State. George C. Joy, State Supervisor of Forests for Washington, outlined the protection system effective in his state, pointing out that counties are selling cut-over lands for trifling sums in order to get them on the tax roll.

For fire protection services such lands are assessed a yearly charge, and Mr. Joy argued that it is not right for owners of such lands to maintain a menace to their neighbors' timbered tracts, without paying towards the cost of fire fighting. He admitted that the charge is sometimes heavy, and hard on the owners, but much fire originates in such cut-over tracts, and owners who do not wish to pay have the privilege of allowing their lands to revert to the county.

Mr. Joy stated that another attempt would be made to pass through the Legislature a bill recently vetoed by the Governor, whereby counties will be permitted to turn over to the state such reverted cut-over tracts, receiving a share in any timber crop harvested in the distant future. The state would undertake fire proection at no cost to the county concerned.

State Forester M. B. Pratt of California outlined the financing methods of his state in regard to fire fighting. The tax is two cents per acre of cut-over lands, not charged when the owner lives nearby. This insurance protects the land from claims or costs resulting from fire or fire-fighting operations. The scheme is voluntary, but owners not contributing are required to pay the full costs of any outbreak affecting their property.

E. I. Rotek of San Francisco explained that the charge of two cents per acre was not supposed to cover the full cost of fire protection, the cut-over lands being protected at a reduced rate made up by the assessment collected on merchantable timber acreage.

LEADER OF EAGLES HERE TO-MORROW

Local Aerie Makes Big Preparations For Distinguished Guests

Preparations have been made for a most enjoyable evening to-morrow at the Liberal Hall by the local Aerie of the Fraternal Order of Eagles to mark the visit of the Worthy State President of Washington and British Columbia, Brother E. W. Bigelow of Sedro-Woolley. Brother Bigelow will be well remembered by local birds, who met him when he was in Victoria at the big convention in June. From the ranks of the local aerie some of the finest talent in British Columbia has been secured to contribute to a well-varied musical programme. Several gifted elocutionists will also help entertain the large crowd expected.

The state president will give a brief address, telling of the progress made by the order and dealing with other matters of importance to Eagles. He will also touch upon the many objectives of the Eagles tending towards general benevolent work and the elimination of suffering on the North American continent.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Duncan of Vancouver came over to Victoria this morning. They are at the Empress Hotel.

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Cougars Intend To Be In Better Shape When Maroons Come

Champions Went Through Stiff Workout Yesterday and Sat in on Lecture

Tough Game Expected, and Cougars Are Anxious For First Points of Season

One hour and a half's stiff going on the ice preceded and followed by some very pointed remarks by Lester Patrick is what the Cougars went through yesterday afternoon as a result of their disappointing showing against Saskatoon on Saturday night.

Lester let the champions know that he did not wish to see a repetition of their showing against the Sheiks. He was willing to take into consideration the long trip, but that alibi for losing would satisfy no one any longer.

The Cougars took stock of what their chief said, and then went out on to the ice and skated like the champions of old. They stepped for a whole hour and a half, and practiced a number of plays. Some of the boys, who are packing excess baggage around their midriff, lost some of it yesterday.

MEET MAROONS

The Cougars had another workout to-day and think they are in pretty good shape to take on the Vancouver Maroons to-morrow night. The Maroons beat the Cougars last Thursday night in a very spirited battle, and Lester and Capt. Clem are keen to square the account.

The Maroons will introduce some new faces to-morrow night. No longer will big Art Duncan be on the defence. Reg. Mackie, a youngster from Calgary, teams with the bulky Amby Moran, formerly of Regina. The forward line will include those three jack-rabbits, Boucher, MacKay and Arbor, who skate and backcheck like fiends. Vancouver is not over powerful with subs, but Waite, Reinikka, Bostrum and Crawford carry a certain punch.

The game should be very exciting, and there should be plenty of good plays. The Cougars intend to be back in form, and this will ensure a good spectacle. When the champions are in their real stride they are a treat to watch.

The game will start at 8.30 o'clock.

GAME AT PORTLAND

While Victoria and Vancouver are settling their differences here the Calgary Tigers and Portland Rosebuds will resume their fued in Portland. On Saturday night Portland defeated the Tigers by 3-2 after a hectic struggle.

Tickets for the game here went on sale this morning and were going well at noon.

Cowichan Badminton Team Beat Garrison In Very Close Match

Cowichan Badminton stars visited Victoria on Saturday and engaged in a match with the Victoria Garrison Badminton Club. The visitors won seven of the twelve matches. Most of the matches went to three sets which showed how evenly the teams were matched.

The results were as follows:

LADIES' DOUBLES

Miss Campbell and Miss Miller (Garrison) lost to Mrs. Harding-Finlayson and Miss V. Norie, 6-13, 15-11, 17-18.

Miss Waldy and Mrs. Mackie (Cowichan) beat Mrs. Bell and Miss Lawson (Garrison), 8-15, 15-8, 5-15.

Miss Porritt and Miss Mason (Garrison) beat Mrs. Waldy and Miss Lorybourne (Cowichan), 15-8, 8-15, 15-8.

MIXED DOUBLES

Mr. and Mrs. Harding-Finlayson (Cowichan) beat Miss Lawson and Major Cobbett (Garrison), 15-4, 15-1.

Mrs. Waldy and Mr. Norie (Cowichan) beat Miss Campbell and Col. Browne (Garrison), 15-8, 12-15, 15-12.

Miss Miller and M. Gordon (Garrison) beat Miss Mackie and Mr. Waldy (Cowichan), 8-15, 18-15, 15-2.

Miss Waldy and Major Armstrong (Cowichan) beat Miss Porritt and Mr. McCallum (Garrison), 15-1, 9-15, 15-13.

Miss Mason and E. McCallum (Garrison) beat Miss Norie and Col. Eardley-Wilmot (Cowichan), 17-15, 15-5.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorybourne (Cowichan) beat Mrs. Bell and Capt. Merston (Garrison), 11-15, 11-15.

MEN'S DOUBLES

Mr. Norie and Mr. Harding-Finlayson (Cowichan) beat Major Cobbett and Col. Browne (Garrison), 15-13, 3-15, 15-12.

E. McCallum and A. McCallum (Garrison) beat Mr. Waldy and Col. Eardley-Wilmot (Cowichan), 5-15, 15-10, 15-11.

Mr. Gordon and Capt. Merston (Garrison) beat Mr. Lorybourne and Major Armstrong (Cowichan), 15-8, 15-8.

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CLEVER BOXER AND RUGGED FIGHTER TO MEET FRIDAY

Toronto, Dec. 8.—With both men in good condition, the championship to be held here on Friday night between Vic Foley of Vancouver, present bantamweight champion of Canada, and Bobby Ebber of Hamilton, Ont., former champion, is attracting considerable interest. It will be a meeting between a clever boxer and a rugged fighter, with Ebber in the former role and Foley the battler. Ebber lost the championship to Howard Mayberry of Hamilton, who was knocked out by Foley in Vancouver. In a return bout Mayberry lost the decision to both Foley and Ebber.

Amateur Hockey Managers Lining Up Strong Clubs

Teams Getting Ready For Opening Games Next Monday; Much Material

Several New Faces Will be Seen; Teams Working Out This Week

Amateur ice hockey team managers are busy lining up their players for the coming season which will be officially opened on Monday, December 14, with two games scheduled. According to reports there are a lot of new players in the city and the four clubs are expected to be exceptionally strong.

Last night the Shells, last year's champions, held their initial workout and Lou Tweedie their manager, reports his boys to be in fair condition. They will have practically the same team that carried them to the pennant last season and they are looking forward to carry off the hunting for the third consecutive year. Included in the Shell team are Harry Stuart, reckoned one of the best goalies in the province, Hughie Burnett, the diminutive, but flashy defence man, Roy Copas, Tuckwell, the blonde-haired centre, "Prec" Moody, who played fine hockey here in the intermediate league a few years ago, and Greene and Locke, two youngsters who shaped up well last season.

TILLICUMS HAVE PLENTY

The Tillicums have not been letting any grass grow under their feet and have lined up some classy material. They have secured the veteran Percy Watson for goal and their other players include the two Oatman brothers, Elmer Smith, a dark horse, Jitney Ford and Alf. Jacklin, two old stagers, Leitch, "Goldie" McKenzie, Dick and Nick Chungranes and Capt. Kennedy. The Tillicums are holding a workout on Thursday night when they will put their players through their pace.

Manager Bill McAllister has little to say about the Colonist line-up but it is known he has secured the services of Don Smith, Jimmie Stewart and Vic Gravlin.

The Navy are the dark horses of the league but they claim to have several crack players signed. Some of the members of H.M.C.S. Patrician have played hockey in the East while others played for clubs in the amateur league last Winter.

Vernon, Dec. 8.—As a result of the failure of Enderby to send a delegate to the Okanagan Valley Hockey League meeting last night, that league was wound up and a new league formed.

The new league, to be called the South Okanagan Hockey League is composed of Kelowna, Lumby, Armstrong and Vernon.

Clubs will affiliate with the B.C. Amateur Hockey Association and play a double schedule in the intermediate division.

WITH THE BOWLERS

The Eagles won two out of three games from the National Motors in the Commercial League bowling series played on the Arcade alleys last night.

Frank Moore of the Nationals was the star individual scorer of the evening with a total of 520 pins, being closely followed by Bill Fairall of the Eagles, with 505. It was the first win of the season for the Motors. The score was as follows:

Eagles				
Fairall	165	165	175	505
D. Neill	137	138	146	421
Forster	185	126	140	451
T. Neill	118	125	155	398
Lapp	124	142	148	414
Toals	730	696	764	2190
National Motors				
Moore	190	183	147	520
Morley	154	122	139	415
Robertshaw	177	120	122	419
Duke	117	94	107	318
Low Score	119	125	140	384
Totals	757	644	655	2156

NEGRO BOXER KILLED

Atlantic City, N.J., Dec. 8—Joseph "Kid" Holmes, negro boxer of this city, died in a hospital last night soon after he had been knocked out in the seventh round of a boxing match with Gilbert "Kid" Brooks, negro, of this city. Brooks was held without bail while the managers of the boxers and their seconds were released, under bail, pending a coroner's investigation.

Holmes died as the result of a fracture.

Ladysmith Eleven Will Oppose Vets Here on Saturday

Formidable Up-island Team to Make Initial Appearance in Coast League

Three First Division Games Saturday; Exhibition Match For Christmas Day

Ladysmith, one of the fastest of the Up-Island football teams, will make their initial appearance here on Saturday in the Pacific Coast League. They will oppose the Veterans in the Pacific Coast League match. In all probability the game will be staged at the Willows oval, but the grounds will be announced later. This will be the first Pacific Coast League football match played here for over a month.

Last week Ladysmith defeated St. Saviours in a league match by the score of 6-1 and the previous week they knocked Nanaimo City out of the McDonald Cup series, beating them on their home grounds. The last time the Veterans met Ladysmith they were beaten by the close score of 2-1 in a McDonald Cup match. The locals are new after their revenge. The Up-Islanders have always been known for their speed and they have one of the most formidable forward lines in the Province. This is the first time the coal miners have played here this season and it is expected a large crowd of fans will watch the Up-Islanders in action.

VETS TO WORK-OUT

The Vets have been practicing faithfully and are in the best of shape for the match. A work-out of players will be held to-night in the clubrooms at 7.30 o'clock while the council will meet at 7 o'clock sharp.

First Division matches for Saturday are as follows:

Victoria United vs. James Island at Central Park. Referee, Payne.

Esquimalt vs. United Services at Victoria West Park. Referee, McMilan.

Sons of England vs. Victoria Wests at Beacon Hill. Referee, Saunders.

All games will start at 2.30 o'clock sharp.

At last night's meeting of the Lower Island Football Board an exhibition match was arranged for Christmas Day, between the pick of the First Division and Esquimalt, winners of the Combination Cup.

Next Monday night the local football council will meet a delegate from each of the local teams at a meeting in the Y.M.C.A., commencing at 8 o'clock, to discuss the proposed new constitution of the British Columbia Football Association. A meeting of the B.C.F.A. will be held in Nanaimo on December 19 to go into the constitution. Victoria will have a delegate present to give the local view.

Chess Club Starts Queen's Pawn Game Interest is Keen

Play in the Queen's Pawn tourney, that is being held at the Victoria Chess Club, started on Saturday.

In all there are eight entrants: Bredin, Barker, Gonnason, Harvey, Enke, Eldridge, Dawkins and Patrick, and as each will play every other contestant twice, once with white and once with black, an interesting series of games is in sight.

Some of the games that were scheduled on Saturday were postponed for a few days and others have been played in advance.

The following is the result of those played so far Barker won from Harvey; Patrick lost to Dawkins, and in the return game with colors reversed, Dawkins lost to Patrick Enke won from Harvey and also from Barker.

Canadian Amateur Golf Title to be Decided in Toronto

Toronto, Dec. 8.—The Globe to-day says:

"The Canadian amateur golf championship of 1926 will be held at the Toronto Golf Club, which has offered its course and its building to the Royal Canadian Golf Association. The invitation of the club will be accepted this week when the executive committee of the association meets in Ottawa to prepare its report for the annual meeting and to name the courses for the amateur and open championships."

Winnipeg Maroons And Minneapolis Win Hockey Games

Winnipeg, Dec. 8.—Winnipeg defeated St. Paul 2-1 in an exciting hockey game here last night in the Western division of the United States Amateur Hockey Association. St. Paul defeated Winnipeg 2 to 1 in the first game of the season here Saturday night.

Duluth, Dec. 8.—Minneapolis defeated Duluth 3-1 last night in the first local United States Amateur Hockey Association game this season.

Reading the fistic news of the day, we have concluded a fighter and his nose are soon parted.

Four Games Slated In S.S. Basketball Leagues To-night

Four games will be played to-night at the Memorial Hall in the Sunday School Basketball League, the junior girls getting into action for the first time this season.

St. Andrew's "B" boys meet the Mets, and this should prove a very fast and exciting game.

First Presbyterian senior men are scheduled to play again to-night, and will turn out a fast team to meet the James Bays.

The games will start as follows:

6.30 p.m., Junior Girls—First Presbyterian vs. Christ Church.

7.15 p.m., Intermediate "B" Boys—St. Andrew's vs. Mets.

8.00 p.m., Senior Men—First Presbyterians vs. James Bays.

8.45 p.m., Intermediate "A" Boys—Falcons vs. Hustlers.

Wednesday Soccer Leaders To Clash With Second Team

Hudson's Bay and Rennie & Taylors Meet at Hill To-morrow; Two Other Games

In the Wednesday League soccer games to-morrow the Hudson's Bay eleven, leaders of the league, will oppose Rennie and Taylors, occupants of the second position, at the Beacon Hill upper ground. The other games will bring together the Tillicums and Kirkhams at Central Park and the Garrison and Navy at the Beacon Hill, lower ground. All the games will start at 2.30 o'clock.

When the Bays and Bakers clash one of the hardest-fought games of the season should result. The departmentals have been cleaning up everything, while the doughmen have also been traveling at a fast gait. Should the league leaders notch a victory they will have practically cinched the championship of the first half of the league. A win for Rennie and Taylors will still give them a chance of beating out the Bays for the honors.

At the other Beacon Hill ground the two service teams, the Garrison and Navy, will battle. Both have strong eleven, so a good match should be seen.

TILLICUMS HAVE SLIPPED

Kirkhams and Tillicums will provide the entertainment at Central Park. The former came through with a fine victory over the Navy last week. The Tillicums showed up well at the start of the season, but they have slipped in their last few matches, but hope to add a couple of points to their total at the expense of the store eleven to-morrow.

At last night's meeting of the Wednesday League it was decided to play an exhibition match on Christmas Day between the pick of the Wednesday League and an All-Star eleven from the junior league. On Thanksgiving Day the juniors hung up a victory over the Wednesday Leaguers by the score of 3-1. The last match proved a good one and the two leaguers are confident that a large crowd will attend the game on Christmas Day.

Rennie & Taylor's team for to-morrow will be as follows: Davis; Hay and Gilbert; Stewart, Tupman and Rowan; Speak, McKinnon, Jeffries, Muir and Field. Reserves, Hawkes and Fish.

The Hudson's Bay team will be Shrimpton, Gibson, Gardner, McKay, Webber, Kerchen, Addie, Clarke, Woodley, Carey and Hansen. Reserves, Mair and Bradley. Players are to meet at 2 o'clock at the employees' entrance, Hudson's Bay Building.

Baseball Magnates To Try and Swing Trades To Liking

Deals Expected as Result of Gathering; Million-dollar Cheque Book Turns up

New York, Dec. 8.—Armed with persuasive adjectives, good intentions and bulging pocketbooks, magnates and managers lined up here last night for the annual barter in baseball stars to-day at the annual meeting of the National League.

The American League will go into session Wednesday with a joint session of both leagues set for Thursday.

It appears generally established that both leagues will approve an earlier closing of the season, but not a shortening of the 154-game schedule.

Several magnates have suggestions for improving world series contests, including Clark Griffith of Washington, who brings with him a proposal to make all future world series ties free games, with rain checks to be issued for the game on the succeeding day.

Both New York clubs are in the market for players. Manager McGraw, of the Giants, had made no attempt to disguise the fact that he needs at catcher.

ALL WANT SOMETHING

Contrasted with Miller Huggins, of the Yanks, who has announced he is ready to part with most of his veteran stars in order to build up a new machine, William Veeck, of the Chicago Cubs, brings a "million dollar check book" with an outlook considered here as rather dim.

"Three down and four to go," chuckled the mad motorist as he drove his car over the prostrate, quivering carcass of another pedestrian.

Rest of Australia Beat Commonwealth In Big Test Match

Sydney, Aus., Dec. 8 (Canadian Press Cable—Via Reuter's)—In a cricket test trial match here, a team representing the Commonwealth were defeated by the rest of Australia by 156 runs. The rest of Australia scored 380. The Commonwealth scored 226.

To Captain Queen's

Kingston, Dec. 8.—"Liz" Walker, star outside wing of Queen's University, inter-collegiate rugby champions, was elected captain for the 1926 season at the annual meeting of the Queen's Athletic Club held last night.

Ladies of Victoria Golf Club Win Once More Over Colwood

Sayward Cup to Remain at Oak Bay; Colwood "B" Team Victorious

Once again the ladies of the Victoria Golf Club have scored a victory over the Colwood team in the annual match for the Sayward Cup. The match was played yesterday at the Oak Bay links and Colwood was successful in winning but one point, the honor going to Mrs. Burnes. The Sayward Cup will remain in the Victoria Golf Club for another year.

In a friendly match between the "B" teams of the two clubs Colwood won by a margin of two points. Of the eight matches played Colwood won four, Oak Bay two, while two were halved.

The scores were as follows:

"A" Teams

Victoria		Colwood	
Mrs. Philbrick	1	Miss Sayward	0
Mrs. Paterson	1	Mrs. Abell	0
Mrs. Parry	1	Miss Mara	0
Mrs. Hutchinson	1	Mrs. Wilding	0
Miss Marion Wilson	1	Mrs. Pocock	0
Mrs. Lambert	0	Mrs. Burnes	1
Mrs. Lennox	1	Mrs. D. Gillespie	0
Total	6	Total	1

"B" Teams

Victoria		Colwood	
Miss Devereux	0		
Mrs. Pierce	0	Mrs. Hibberson	1
Mrs. Howell	1	Mrs. Steyert	1
Mrs. Thomas	½	Miss D. Schwengers	½
Mrs. Johnson	1		
Mrs. Jones	0	Mrs. Rawlinson	½
Mrs. Gore	½	Mrs. McKenzie	½
Mrs. C. Wilson	0	Mrs. Richards	1
Total	3	Total	5

C.P.R. Girls, Sons And Bays Win City League Hoop Games

Railroaders Score Another Win by Trouncing Normal School to Tune of 14-6

Three fine games were seen last night in the City Basketball League. In the first match the Hudson's Bay boys won a hard-fought battle from the Navy by the score of 19-13. In the ladies' game the C.P.R. girls hung up another victory by trouncing the Normal School 14-6. The Sons of England had a hard time in winning from the Capitols, just nosing their opponents out 19-16.

The game between the Hudson's Bay and Navy gave the fans plenty of thrills. At half-time the score stood two-all but in the final period Addie, of the Bays, broke away from his check, hanging up a total of ten points.

Macedo refereed and the teams were:

Navy—Bardon (1), Baker (9), Armstrong (1), Orr, Dickinson, Barr and Swetman.

Hudson's Bay—Addie (10), Bayliss (2), Tripp (4), Hansen, Watson (2), Mitchell (1), Shrimpton and Woodley.

C.P.R. WIN AGAIN

In the ladies' game the C.P.R. put up a fine exhibition to beat the Normalites. The railroaders excelled in combination work, while their opponents resorted to too much individual play. Kathleen Slavin was high scorer for the winners with a total of six points.

Joe Ross handled the whistle and the teams were as follows:

C.P.R.—K. Slavin (6), E. Dinsdale (4), M. Motion (2), M. Wilson, R. Bethell (2), and D. Watson.

Normal—K. Kelly, Iola Worthington (4), B. Caughlan, D. Williams (1), D. King (1), and E. Brett.

A CLOSE TILT

The Sons of England were forced to the limit to win from the Capitols. At no time during the match did one of the teams have more than a three-point lead. Just before the final whistle the Sons obtained the advantage, holding it until the end, the final score being 19-16.

Scotty Dowds refereed and the teams were:

Sons—McConnell (2), Bull (11), Logan (2), Wright, R. Parfitt (2), and Greaves (2.)

Capitols—Hole (5), Essler (4), Holman (2), Hole, Turner (3), and McCloy (2).

Amateurs Must Pay Back Taxes in O.C.

London, Dec. 8.—Seeking new sources of income tax for the first time in the history of amateur sports, the organizations have been dunned by the authorities for taxes not only for 1925, but five previous years. The St. Alban's City and Cambridge Town organizations were the first to be taxed, the former £125.

Saskatoon Defeat Vancouver, Moving Alongside Portland

Sheiks Win Their Third Game on Coast and Are Now in Tie For Top Place

Maroons Suffer Defeat by Odd Goal in Five; Sheiks Worked Smoothly

Vancouver, Dec. 8—Defeating Vancouver Maroons 3-2 at the Arena last night, the Saskatoon Sheiks won their third straight game out of four on their initial invasion of the coast clubs of the Western League, and entered into a tie with Portland for first place. The Lalonde clan played real hockey. They combined well throughout, except for a time in the second period, when, with the benefit of a two-goal lead, they laid back, their centre ice passing being ragged.

The Sheiks scored the only two goals of the opening frame, Cameron and Bill Cook doing the trick. Reinikka and Bill Cook added one each in the second and Arbour was given a gift goal by Reise in the final twenty.

The game was clean, there being very little evidence of rough work. Reise, Moran and Reinikka, were the only athletes to catch the eye of Mickey Ion for infractions. Bill Cook went into a tie with Mickey Mackay for second place for, the latter having been credited with an assist on Reinikka's counter.

Bill Cook was robbed of a goal in the first period when his drive cleanly beat Lehman, but the latter was being charged at the moment by Bourgault. On the other hand Maroon supporters claimed two goals, one in the opening and final periods. Moran in the first few minutes came down like a steam roller on the right boards, his shot having so much steam that it hit the iron and re-entered play so fast that the goal umpire did not see the play.

SUBS WORKED WELL

The value of a good relief corps was again evident for Newsy Lalonde kept injecting new men into the fray in a regular procession throughout the entire piece. Reinikka got the call for Vancouver as the first "extra." Mackay, Moran and Arbour were the most effective of the home squad. Moran's spectacular zigzag sorties were one of the features of the night.

Lalonde did not appear in uniform. Reise and Cameron worked with thorough understanding on the defence. The two Scots seemed a whole team in themselves, having all kinds of reserve and shooting right on the posts. Denenney was the speediest man on the rink and brought applause for his brilliant skating and bullet-like shots. All of the substitutes were effective, Gordon being worthy of special attention.

THE LINE-UP

Vancouver	Position	Saskatoon
Lehman	Goal	Hainsworth
Moran	Defence	Cameron
Mackey	Defence	Reise
MacKay	Forward	Scott
Boucher	Forward	Fred Cook
Arbour	Forward	Bill Cook
Reinikka	Sub	Denenney
Bostrum	Sub	Gordon
Waite	Sub	Bourgault
Crawford	Sub	Benson

Referee—Mickey Ion.

SUMMARY

First period—1, Saskatoon, Cameron, 18.17; 2, Saskatoon, Bill Cook from Denenney, 23.

Second period—3, Vancouver, Reinikka from Mickey MacKay, 11.07; 4, Saskatoon, Bill Cook, 4.47.

Third period—5, Vancouver, Arbour, 17.40.

Final score—Saskatoon 3, Vancouver 2.

PENALTIES

First period—Reise, 2 minutes.

Second period—Moran, 2 minutes.

Third period—Reinikka, 2 minutes.

Boston Will Face Montreal With Its Injured Men Ready

Bruins Expect to Give Better Account of Themselves; Canadiens Meet New York

Ottawa, Dec. 8—After a strenuous road trip with three members of the team on the casualty list, the Boston Bruins will play at home to-night against the Montreal Maroons, by whom they were decisively beaten in the N.H.L. game in Montreal last Saturday night.

Stuart and Geran will resume action for the Bruins to-night after their enforced layoff of two games. Joe Matte, former Vancouver Maroon, will be introduced to the fans.

Matte is not yet in the best of condition but will be given a chance to show his stuff.

The other Montreal team, Canadiens will meet the New York Americans at Mount Royal Arena, Montreal, and a thrilling battle, similar to those witnessed between Canadiens and Hamilton (now New York) last season, is expected.

Vancouver, Dec. 8 (Canadian Press)—Vic Foley, after defending his Canadian bantamweight championship against Bobby Ebber of Hamilton, Ont., on Friday night, at Toronto, will leave for the Pacific coast and meet Young Nationalista at Portland, Ore., on January 1, 1926, according to a wire received here yesterday from his manager, Jack Allen.

ROLLER HOCKEY TO START SOON; CLOSE ENTRIES ON FRIDAY

It was announced by W. H. Davies this morning that entries for the Victoria and District Roller Hockey League will close on Friday evening, December 11. All entries must be handed into the Empire Reality Company, 641 Fort Street, before that date.

It is expected that a large number of teams will enter as the sport has become popular in recent years.

A meeting of the executive will be held next week, and the schedule will be drawn up.

There will be three different classes this year—90 lbs., 100 lbs. and 145 lbs. It is expected that the same playing rules will be followed as last year. Owing to the fact that the committee has not been able to find another place all league games will be played in the Victoria West gymnasium.

Queen's Fine Team Will Break Up But New One to Arise

Principal Says University is Not Finished With Rugby; New Stars Coming on

Winnipeg Tigers Showed Little Class, Ottawa Papers Say in Their Comment

Regina, Sask., Dec. 8.—The defeat of the champion Queen's team in the Canadian rugby final by Ottawa was a good thing for football, said Dr. Bruce Taylor, principal of Queen's University, who is here to-day.

"Our boys had held the championship long enough," he declared. "I am sorry, though, that this particular team could not have retained the championship to the end. They are breaking up, eight of them leaving this year. They were one of the finest groups of men in every respect; good students as well as footballers."

"Football," he continued, "is just an expression of the life of the university. I am often asked if I take a deep interest in the game. I should think I do."

QUEEN'S NOT FINISHED

Queen's was not finished as a football force, he went on. "We have lots of football players coming on; Leadley and Batstone have successors in the two brilliant youths, Chantler and Voss."

The present team was never worried by the prevalence of rumors to the effect some of its members were at the university to play football. "The record of the team proves the absurdity of that," he declared. "Leadley was one of the finest students in civil engineering; Thomas made a great success in commerce and Red McKelvey probably will be first in medicine."

Ottawa, Dec. 8.—Though they tried hard and played gamely, the Tammany Tigers of Winnipeg, Western Rugby champions, made a dismal and unexpectedly weak showing in the Dominion final here Saturday afternoon, when the Ottawa Senators, Eastern champions, rolled up a 24-1 score against the Westerners.

"The men from the wide and open spaces have yet a lot to learn about rugby from the scientific angle that is played in the more or less effete East," says The Journal in commenting on the game.

"Only once during the game were the invaders menacing," the newspaper continues. "That was in the second half, when, with the wind behind, their backs, they had the Ottawas on the defensive for a while. The invaders might not be of championship calibre, yet they revealed themselves gentlemen athletes both on and off the field."

ONLY FEW GOOD MEN

The Citizen says:

"Winnipeg Tigers were soundly beaten by a team that was their superior in every department of the game. They showed a varied assortment of rapid-fire plays, but could get nowhere against the stubborn defence of the Senators, who battled them up and, except for the third quarter, smothered their every attack. Warren, Laing, Grant and Pulse were the only westerners to show anything like senior ability.

"From the opening kick-off, there was never any doubt as to the final outcome of the game."

UNFAIR

Ottawa, Dec. 8—Revision of the Canadian Rugby Union rules by which the West would be restricted from playing in the finals until such time as they have "improved sufficiently to attract sufficient people to make their cross-country jaunts less of a financial burden to themselves, and to the teams they play against," is advocated by The Evening Journal following the 24-1 defeat administered to the Tammany Tigers of Winnipeg by the Ottawa Senators in the Dominion rugby final here Saturday.

There is not much likelihood of the east losing its football supremacy, in the opinion of The Citizen, which says that Saturday's "disappointing game" served to demonstrate that West football is still very far behind the brand played in this section of the country.

FOUL BAY BILLIARDS

The draw for the Foul Bay Athletic Association billiard tournament is as follows:

L. Clark (s) vs. P. C. Payne (o20).
B. Clark (r25) vs. P. Brooker (o20).
W. Unwin (r20) vs. A. Webb (r25).
G. Clarke (r25) vs. J. Unwin (r50).

The round must be completed not later than December 12.

"Has Been" Battles Way to Lightweight Title In Hot Scrap

Rocky Kansas Gains Coveted Honors After Three Unsuccessful Efforts

Defeats Goodrich in Bout Which Was Crowded With Action; Fans Cheer Vet

Buffalo, N.Y., Dec. 8—The veteran Rocky Kansas, of Buffalo, to-day is the new lightweight champion of the world. He won the judges' decision in a thrilling fifteen-round battle with Jimmy Goodrich, also of Buffalo, last night, while spectators cheered in admiration of the stamina and skill of the man whom many regarded as a "has-been."

Kansas has had a hard hill to climb in his quest for championship honors. Three times he met the great Benny Leonard and tried to wrest the crown and three times he failed. But when Leonard retired and through a series of elimination contests Goodrich was chosen in his place last July, the rugged Kansas again saw visions of winning the coveted title.

CHALLENGER AGGRESSIVE

The challenger forced the fighting in the first round, scoring several hard lefts to the champion's head and shaking him with left hooks, but the champion's defence stiffened in the second.

In the third round both took punishment in the in-fighting, Kansas hammering home two hard left hooks in succession.

They fought more cautiously in the fourth. In the fifth Goodrich caught Kansas with rights and lefts.

Jimmy missed frequently in the sixth, and the right she landed did not seem to slow Kansas up any.

Goodrich boxed carefully in the seventh and scored a left to the head and two rights to the body.

In the eighth Kansas shook the champion with a jab on the chin, but took a stiff right in return.

The champion scored hard rights to the head to start the ninth.

A left swing in the tenth caught Goodrich on the ear and staggered him. Kansas followed this with a right to the body.

They mixed it in the eleventh. Both started strongly in the twelfth and each scored vicious body blows.

SLUGGING AT FINISH

Kansas opened the thirteenth with hard jabs to the head. Jimmy came back with hard rights to the body and head. He staggered Rocky with a right hook.

The champion started after the challenger as the final round started and scored hard rights and lefts to the body. Kansas fought back viciously, hooking again and again to the face. The fight ended with them standing toe to toe and slugging with all their might.

Stepney Winner of Cowichan Monthly

Special to The Times

Duncan, B.C., Dec. 8.—The monthly medal competition for men took place over the Cowichan golf course on Sunday and was won by H. St. G. Stepney, with a net score of 70.

The scores follow:

	Gross	Hcp.	Net
H. St. G. Stepney	90	20	70
J. S. Robinson	88	16	72
W. B. Powel	88	16	72
A. H. Lomas	96	20	76
A. H. Peterson	89	12	77
J. Gibb	95	17	78
H. T. Reid	98	20	78
G. R. Grieve	99	20	79
E. W. C. Hilton	100	20	80
W. B. Harper	108	26	82

W. L. B. Young, K. F. Duncan, C. H. Dickie, Dr. D. E. Kerr and G. G. Share, no scores.

K. F. Duncan, the club's captain, although repeatedly challenged, still holds the "button." Peterson, Powel, Share and Kerr have all been defeated lately.

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AT THE THEATRES

MARY PICKFORD IS DEAF TO DIRECTOR ON ONE BIG POINT

It was during the filming of "Little Annie Rooney," Mary Pickford's classic of the tenements, now at the Dominion Theatre.

Mary, garbed as "Little Annie" was entirely surrounded by about forty young hoodlums, ready for a "gang fight" in the picture.

But Mary was holding up the show. It was all because of that troublesome bit of jewelry that her famous husband, Douglas Fairbanks, gave her five years ago. That slender wedding ring was causing all the trouble and holding up a regiment of the highest priced cameramen, directors and helpers in the world. Mary has never taken it off, since the day of her wedding, and refuses to do so. It has to be hidden from the prying eye of the camera, because "Little Annie" is supposed to be a girl of fourteen, and girls of fourteen do not wear wedding rings.

So a very lucky chap was holding Mary's hand, and sewing a signet ring over the wedding ring to hide it, while director and cameramen heaped maledictions on the heads of Doug and Mary for their devotion which extends to such little things as wedding rings.

AT THE THEATRES

Dominion—"Little Annie Rooney."
Capitol—"Winds of Chance."
Coliseum—"Down South."
Playhouse—"The Viscount of Victoria."
Columbia—"Man and Maid."

COLISEUM COMPANY GAINS PLAUDITS OF CROWD FOR COMEDY

The most ambitious production the Coliseum Company has ever attempted, the sparkling musical comedy "Down South," was received with vociferous applause by a crowded audience last night. The whole bill of fare won cordial approval for, as well as the stage offering, the picture, too, is outstanding. It is entitled the "Lost Lady," starring the screen favorites Irene Rich and Matt Moore, and is one of the most gripping and thrilling films seen in the city. The wonderful new scenery helped to make gay picturesque plantation scenes and the enlarged company engaged for this week worked enthusiastically to put over "Down South" with a snap. The comedy is rich. Edith Hamilton follows her last week's success as a comedienne with another success as Mandy, a colored maid. Will Marshall is just as clever in raising laughs as he always is. Again George Olsen is a fire-eating colonel and those who have seen him in similar roles before will realize that he is right at home. Bright, sparkling parts in which they shine are awarded to Geo. Brydone and Gladys Burton as the girl and the boy whose love affair commands the interest of the audience. It is a rich musical treat contributed by the regular members of the company and the popular Velvet Quartette. These talented harmonizers now booked for a big vaudeville tour with the headline position on the bill created a sensation. With plaintive negro melodies beautifully sung they brought tears to the eyes of the audience and then changing to boisterous comedy choruses they rocked the house with laughter.

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GRIPPING NORTHERN EPIC FILM SHOWING AT CAPITOL THEATRE

Presenting an accurate, virile and colorful romance of Alaska and its pioneer days, Frank Lloyd's "Winds of Chance," the super production filmed amid the grandeur of British Columbia, opened at the Capitol Theatre yesterday and sent the most critical film fans away shouting its praises.

"Winds of Chance" is one of the few pictures with the power to sweep one virtually off his feet. Moving along at a startling pace, this latest First National epic combines the elements of scenic beauty and spirited action without slackening its pace, and there are so many celebrities in the cast that the reviewer feels that he has been entertained by a club composed of stars only.

More than any picture it has been our pleasure to see in several years, "Winds of Chance" deserves the distinction of being the first all-star production filmed in British Columbia. It is. And all of the stars in it share about as equally as it is possible for so real a drama to divide the honors. Anna Q. Nilsson, Viola Dana, Ben Lyon and Victor McLaglen are the principal quartette in the picture, but there is very little to choose between their parts and those of Hobart Bosworth, Dorothy Sebastian, Claude Gillingwater, Charles Crockett, Philo McCollough, Fred Kohler and John T. Murray.

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PLAYHOUSE

"MAN AND MAID" BY ELINOR GLYN SHOWS AT COLUMBIA TO-DAY

Elinor Glyn's production of "Man and Maid," which opened at the Columbia Theatre yesterday, has five distinct things in its favor. First and all important is the story, which is interesting, gripping and unusually well told.

Then the two leading roles, interpreted by Lew Cody and Harriet Hammond. The former playing a hero for the first time in many years and the latter, practically a newcomer to the screen, is one who definitely establishes herself as a beauty of rare charm and great histrionic ability.

The supporting cast presents a number of comparatively unknown players who register strongly as real "finds," and besides, such old friends as Alec Francis, Carrie Clark Ward and Renee Adoree have important roles.

The sets are another feature which go toward making this production beautiful and worth seeing.

Madame Glyn made this offering for Metro-Goldwyn Mayer, and supervised it herself. Victor Schertzinger directed and Chat Lyons was photographer.

RICHARD DIX IS STAR IN FEATURE PLAYHOUSE FILM

"The Lucky Devil," Richard Dix's latest starring picture for Paramount at the Playhouse this week, is another of those Byron Morgan automobile tales, chock-full of laughs, thrills, and just the right kind of romance, the feminine appeal being furnished by Esther Ralston, who played Mrs. Darling in the screen version of the Barrie classic, "Peter Pan," and also appeared in "The Little French Girl" and "Beggar on Horseback."

"The Lucky Devil," directed by Frank Tuttle, is a story of a young demonstrator of auto camping outfits who through a fluke wins a beautiful roadster. It develops that the car has been the centre of a sensational divorce suit, and when Dix, as Randy Farman, meets Doris (Miss Ralston), "the only girl," she recognizes the car and will have nothing to do with him, believing him to be the good-for-nothing Rudolph Franklyne.

Randy sets off after Doris and her mother, who are touring the country in a battered Ford. He comes upon them, stalled, just as he runs out of gas. He explains how he came into possession of the racer to their satisfaction, takes the gas from the flivver and tows them into town.

There's a big road race to be run off at the fair grounds. Two hundred dollars is the entry fee, and Randy wins the money by staying two rounds with a prizefighter, only to have it taken away from him by an officer, who mistakes him for a thief.

There are plenty of thrills and all kinds of humor in this dramatic film.

Sooke

Special to The Times

Sooke, Dec. 8—Captain and Mrs. Haward with their family have left Sooke.

Mrs. Read, Mrs. Hombron and Miss Felton have been guests of Mrs. Felton during the week-end.

Mrs. H. Hooke is in Victoria on business.

Riverside property at Milne's Landing Bridge has been leased by a Victorian, whom it is said will shortly open a tea shop there.

There will be a ball game at Charters Hall on Saturday, December 12. The Y.M.C.A. will meet Sooke "A." The "Kitchen Gang" "B" team will play Sooke "B," followed by a dance.

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Bouquets Showered Upon Wonderful Soprano by Enthusiastic Admirers

Concert Under Auspices of Ladies' Musical Club an Outstanding Success

Another musical event of special importance was the recital last evening by Anna Case, the U. S. soprano, at the Royal Victoria Theatre, under the auspices of the Victoria Ladies' Musical Club. Anna Case was a former star of the famous Metropolitan Opera House of New York and it has been frequently written was one of the loveliest singers that ever graced its stage. Her personality is arrestingly fascinating, and the very atmosphere of her presence seems to bear the glamour of well earned triumphs, the distinction of exquisite taste in dress and programme selection, and above all the superb art of delivering the song's message with rare intellectuality, convincingly, artistically, and with consummate tenderness, she is in very fact a natural born singer, and not only has she the gift of a beautiful voice, but she possesses the divine attribute of soul. She sings as if she loves singing. There is no denying her art, and before many numbers had been given she completely captivated her audience—large, fashionable and decidedly demonstrative.

HER PROGRAMME

Her programme consisted of four groups, the first opening with the famous "Cavatina" from Weber's "Der Freischutz," sung in perfect German diction; As was also the third number of this group, Bach's "Patron das Macht der Wind." The second number, an old French melody, arranged by Weckerlin, "Chantons les Amour de Jean," was another example of her mastery of styles. This also was in delightful French. This number and Handel's Aria, "O Sleep, Why Dost Thou Leave Me," one of the favorites of the evening, and Mozart's "Hallelula," supremely lyrical, and based upon this one word only, brimming full of technicalities throughout all her registers, all being splendid performances at the conclusion of which most hearty plaudits came from all parts of the house. Her second was a group by French composers, the effective "Ariette (Paul Vidal), the dainty "L' Insect Alle" (Nerini), the appealing and sympathetic "Le Beau Reve" (A. Fleger), and Gabriel Pierne's vivifying, "Le Moulin," are given with a subtlety of feeling, a remarkable sense of style, and veritable models of phrasing and expression. Here again those present insisted upon her reappearance, the singer giving in most charming manner "I Saw a Little Bird To-day. Going Through the Blue." Her third group was the Aria, "Mi Chiamano Mimi," from Puccini's "La Boheme." This favorite air suits her admirably, and again her cultivated art and ideal musicianship, served her to good purpose in a supremely and dramatic interpretation. This number met with tumultuous applause to which the singer, accompanying herself, gave a delightful rendering of a 15th century "Folk Song."

The last group of five numbers was a perfectly delightful one in contrast and style. Here was her diction again, clear, distinct and a joy to her listeners. The first of these "Joy" (Winter Watts) was another outstanding number; so, too, was "The Night Wind" by Roland Farley, and although her hearers shivered in its very realism, they clamored for its repetition. "The Sunnove'e Song" (Kjerulf), was a perfect example of her soul for music and in this was there a fulness of the glow of her passion and subjective sympathy. Sergei Rachmaninoff's stately and sedate "Lilacs" and the concluding number "The Answer" (Robert Huntington Terry), again provided the high mark of her capabilities, investing her utterances with the tender grace, and moving spirit of whatever mood is required in the wedded text and music for her songs. Loath indeed did those present seem to leave the building, and only content were they to do so after bringing the artist again and again to the platform.

Miss Anna Case was presented with some beautiful bouquets of requisite flowers.

Max Jaffe was an exceptional accompanist, unfailing throughout in support, watchfulness and finesse.

As usual the stage was prettily decorated with flowers by some ladies of the club, and the handsome lamp was kindly loaned for the occasion by the Home Furnishings people.

FRENCH ARTIST TO PLAY AT CRYSTAL GARDEN JANUARY 11

Marcel Grandjany, the renowned French harpist, who will play at the Crystal Garden on the night of January 11, was born in Paris about thirty-four years ago of musicianly parents. His mother died during his infancy, and Henriette Renie, the celebrated French harpist, had charge of his budding genius. Then he learned to play both the harp and the organ, the latter so well that he was asked to replace Abel Decaux at the cathedral of Montmartre. But at an early age he showed such a predilection for the harp that from that time it became his chosen instrument for musical expression. He is a noted composer and improvisator and a member of the jury of the Paris Conservatoire. He has played to soloist many times with leading Parisian orchestras, and in addition to that he has given concerts throughout Europe, including England, where his art has been enthusiastically received. He made his first American appearance in New York on February 14, 1924, at Aeolian Hall, and since then he has filled thirty-three engagements, both here and in Canada, and as many more are booked for the present season. At the conclusion of his tour in this country he will go to Spain and Italy, where he has been recalled for a further demonstration of his beautiful art.

There is not a child whose photograph, taken to-day, will not be priceless to some one in years to come.

BEDTIME STORY

Uncle Wiggily and the Ker Flop

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By Howard R. Garis

One morning, after Jackie and Peetie Bow Wow, the puppy dog boys, had scampered off to the Hollow Stump School, Mr. Bow Wow, their father, said to Uncle Wiggily:

"You were so clever last week, Mr. Longears, in teaching Jackie and Peetie not to forget where they put their books and pencils that I wonder if to-day you couldn't give them another lesson."

"Have they been forgetting to comb their hair?" asked the rabbit.

"Oh, no, they have been very good about that," Mrs. Bow Wow barked.



"But I think daddy means you should teach our puppy boys something about the woods and fields and the different animals that live in them."

"I shall be very glad to do that," offered the bunny uncle. "I'll meet them after school and perhaps I may be able to tell them a few things they don't know."

Jackie and Peetie recited their lessons very well in the Hollow Stump School that day, so the Lady Mouse teacher let them come out of class a little ahead of the others. The puppy dogs saw Uncle Wiggily hopping along the path at the edge of the forest and Jackie barked:

"Have you lost your watch again, Uncle Wiggily?"

"Not this time," answered Mr. Longears with a laugh. "But I have found something!"

"Oh, is it a penny?" whined Peetie, who knew a place where you could get two small lollypops for a cent.

"No, it isn't a penny!" laughed the rabbit. "Come and see!"

Eagerly the two little puppies rushed to where Uncle Wiggily stood beside a little stream of water. In the night a film of ice had frozen over the brook, but the warm morning sun had melted it and the bank of the stream that had been hard was now soft dirt. In this soft dirt were some queer marks, or footprints.

"Oh, those are just bird tracks!" barked Jackie.

"Sure!" agreed his brother. "Some winter birds—maybe bluejays came here to get a drink."

"Not so sure!" said Mr. Longears. "Those are not bird tracks, boys, though they do look a bit like them. But if you follow along the path of the tracks you may see what sort of an animal it was who made them. Run along—take the trail!"

"Maybe it's a wolf!" whined Jackie.

"Or a fox," suggested Peetie. "I wouldn't be afraid of a fox if I was bigger," he went on.

"It is neither a fox not a wolf," spoke the bunny gentleman. "I think you will soon see who made those queer marks." Uncle Wiggily followed the puppies. The footprints showed where some creature had walked up in the soft, thawed earth from the brook to the edge of the forest. And then, all of a sudden, Jackie and Peetie gave excited barks and Jackie came running back to Uncle Wiggily saying:

"We found who made the queer marks. It's a ker flop animal!!"

"A ker flop animal!" laughed Uncle Wiggily. "I never heard of such a creature."

"Well," went on Jackie, "when Peetie came up to it we thought it was a little muskrat, like Nurse Jane. But when Peetie touched it, the animal just fell over ker flop like, you know, and now it's dead!"

"Oh, I guess it isn't dead," said Mr. Longears. "It is only pretending. It is playing 'possum, for the animal who made the queer tracks is an opossum." And that's just what it was. For when Uncle Wiggily and Jackie reached the place where Peetie was still standing near the "ker flop," as Jackie had called it, the opossum had opened its eyes and was laughing.

"I fooled them, didn't I, Uncle Wiggily?" chuckled the opossum. "That's a trick I have of playing dead when I meet some big animal like a wolf or fox," went on the creature whose tail was long, like Nurse Jane's. "The bad chaps will seldom eat an animal they have not killed themselves. So if I see them I make myself limp, and fall over ker flop, just as I did when Peetie touched me, and then the bad chaps go away and leave me alone."

"Isn't that funny!" barked Jackie and Peetie and they were glad they had met the "ker flop" as they still called him in fun. Then the bunny, the dogs and the opossum sat in the sun and talked. And if the dining-room chair doesn't try to stand on one leg when it reaches for the butter. I'll tell you next about Uncle Wiggily's tin dipper.

DAILY RADIO PROGRAMMES

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8

CFDC (411) Vancouver, B.C.
6-7 p.m.—Dinner hour programme.

KFI (467) Los Angeles, Cal.
6.45 p.m.—KFI Radiotorial Period.
7 p.m.—Programme of dance music.
8 p.m.—Programme by L. A. Examiner.
9 p.m.—Feature programme.
10 p.m.—Packard Ballad Hour, featuring Billy Hall.

CNRV (291) Vancouver, B.C.
7.30 p.m.—Bedtime stories.
8.30 p.m.—Studio programme. Recital by Mrs. Frank Evans, soprano, and Mr. Frederic Kidson, operatic tenor, late of the Carl Rosa Opera Company and West End Theatres of London, England.
10.30 p.m.—Cabaret Belmont orchestra, assisted by Miss Bebe Mullar, soprano.

CFYC (411) Vancouver, B.C.
7-7.30 p.m.—Market reports, Vancouver Sun.

CFAC (436) Calgary, Alta.
7-8 p.m.—Studio programme by members of the Y.M.C.A.

CFCQ (411) Vancouver, B.C.
7.30-8.30 p.m.—Address by Dr. Totten.

KGO (361) Oakland, Cal.
6-7 p.m.—Dinner concert.
7 p.m.—Final reading of weather and stock reports, and S. F. produce news.
8 p.m.—Baldwin Piano Company programme.

KHJ (405) Los Angeles, Cal.
6.30-7.30 p.m.—Children's programme.
7.30 p.m.—H. M. Robertson will talk on "Dogs."
8-10 p.m.—Programme of Builders' Finance Association.
10-11 p.m.—Art Hickman's Biltmore dance orchestra.

KPO (428) San Francisco, Cal.
6.40 p.m.—Waldemar Lind and the States Restaurant orchestra.
7-7.30 p.m.—Rudy Seiger's Fairmont Hotel orchestra.
8-9 p.m.—Programme by Eureka Vacuum Cleaner Company.
9-10 p.m.—Programme by the Mona Motor Oil Company.
10-11 p.m.—Jack Coakley's Cabirians.

KFOA (455) Seattle, Wash.
6-6.45 p.m.—Dinner hour concert by Hoffman orchestra.
6.45-8.15 p.m.—Rhodes Department Store programme.
8.30-10 p.m.—Programme given by Eastern Outfitting Co.
10-11.30 p.m.—Eddie Harkness and his orchestra.

KNX (337) Hollywood, Cal.
7-7.45 p.m.—Don Clark and his La Monica Ballroom orchestra.
7.45 p.m.—Talk on Health by Dr. Robert T. Williams.
8-10 p.m.—Feature programme.
10-12 p.m.—Movie Night, Ambassador Hotel.

KOA (323) Denver, Colo.
5.30 p.m.—Dinner concert.
6.30 p.m.—News-Times concert.

KTCL (306) Seattle, Wash.
8-9 p.m.—International Bible Students' Association; studio programme.

KGW (491.5) Portland, Ore.
6-7 p.m.—Dinner concert.
7.45-8 p.m.—Talk, Oregon Bankers' Association.
8-10 p.m.—Educational programme talk, "Sound Investments," courtesy George H. Burr; Conrad and Broom, auction bridge lessons; "Style" talk by the Sage of Yamhill County; music by McElroy quartette; concert.
10-12 p.m.—Dance music from Indian Grill of Multnomah Hotel.

KJR (384) Seattle, Wash.
7-7.30 p.m.—Frederick and Nelson, Santa Claus skit.
7.30-8 p.m.—Programme by Cornish School.
8.30-10 p.m.—Puget Sound Savings and Loan Association concert orchestra.

CNRR (476) Regina, Sask.
7 p.m.—Studio programme by the Knox Church concert orchestra.

KFXF (250) Colorado Springs, Colo.
8.30-10 p.m.—Freeman Dust Absorber musical programme.

KDKA (309.1) Pittsburg, Pa.
8 p.m.—Sacred song half-hour.
8.30 p.m.—World cruise by Radio, Ross H. Skinner.
9 p.m.—Little Symphony orchestra.

WOC (483.6) Davenport, Iowa
11.35 p.m.—Grand Theatre.
9-9.30 p.m.—Auction bridge games.
9.30-10.15 p.m.—"Around the World with 'B. J.' in Eight Months in Eight Nights," B. J. Palmer.
10.15-11.15 p.m.—Musical programme, Girls' Glee Club, Mt. Vernon High School.

WCBD (344.6) Zion, Ill.
8 p.m.—Studio programme.

WCCO (415.4) St. Paul, Minn.
7.30-8 p.m.—Gold Dust Twins.
8-9 p.m.—Eveready hour.

WDAF (365.6) Kansas City, Mo.
11.45-1 a.m.—Nighthawk frolic.

WEAH (370.2) Chicago, Ill.
7-8 p.m.—Oriole orchestra; Lydia Lochner, contralto.
9-10 p.m.—Oriole orchestra; Uptown Theatre.
11-1 a.m.—Oriole orchestra; Jack Penewell, twin guitarist.

WJJD (302.8) Mooseheart, Ill.
10 p.m.—Rushmore ensemble singers.
12 p.m.—Jack Nelson, George Givot, George Sparks.

WGY (379.5) Schenectady, N.Y.
7.30 p.m.—"Philosophy's Contribution to America," Prof. Harold A. Larrabee.
7.45 p.m.—WGY orchestra.
8.15 p.m.—Elmer Tidmarsh, organist.
9 p.m.—WGY orchestra; Mrs. William H. Rieser, soprano.
10 p.m.—"Northern Italy, including Venice, the Italian Lakes and Milan," WJZ.
10.30 p.m.—Spencer Tupman's Hotel Mayflower orchestra, WRC.

WBAP (475.9) Fort Worth, Texas
6-6.30 p.m.—Dinner music, Texas Hotel Tokio Royale.
7.30-8.30 p.m.—Programme, Mrs. J. E. Cooley.
9.30-10.45 p.m.—Concert, faculty, School of Gospel Music, Baptist Seminary.

WBBM (226) Chicago, Ill.
8-9 p.m.—Harry Sosnick, Sandy Meek; Moulin Rouge orchestra.
9-12 p.m.—Trio trio; Pete Kules; Four Red Peppers; Ziegler Sisters; Moulin Rouge orchestra.

WEAF (491.5) New York, N.Y.
8.10-8.30 p.m.—Ross Gorman and his Earl Carroll Vanities orchestra.
8.30-9 p.m.—The Gold Dust Twins.
9-10 p.m.—Eveready hour.
10-10.30 p.m.—Radio auction bridge game.
10.30-11 p.m.—Vincent Lopez and his orchestra from the Casa Lopez.
11-12 p.m.—Dance orchestra.

WREO (285.5) Lansing, Mich.
8.15 p.m.—Reo Motor Car Company.

POULTRY PRIZES FOR YOUNG EXHIBITORS

Final Scores in Sidney School Contests

Special to The Times

Sidney, Dec. 8.—The Sidney School Junior Poultry Club's final scores are:

CLUB "A"

Robert Homewood (winner of first prize)—Hatching, 21; rearing, 25; exhibit, 22½; notes, 23½. Total 92.

Adeline Crossley (winner of second prize)—Hatching, 19; rearing, 25; exhibit, 20; notes, 24. Total 88.

George Wilson (winner of third prize)—Hatching, 17½; rearing, 22; exhibit, 21½; notes, 24. Total 85.

Gordon Hambley (winner of fourth prize)—Hatching, 17½; rearing, 22; exhibit, 20; notes, 24. Total 83½.

Franklin Holderidge — Hatching, 15½; rearing, 22; exhibit, 19½; notes, 21½. Total 78½.

Robert Dixon—Hatching, 17½; rearing, 25; exhibit, 20; notes, 15. Total 77½.

Hugh Wylie—Exhibit, 11½; rearing, 25; exhibit, 18½; notes, 15. Total 70.

CLUB "B"

Darrel Shade (winner of first prize)—Hatching 17½; rearing, 25; exhibit, 22; notes, 23. Total 87½.

Lillian Lidgate (winner of second prize)—Hatching, 19; rearing, 20; exhibit, 23½; notes, 24. Total 85½.

Winnifred Taylor (winner of third prize)—Hatching, 23; rearing, 17; exhibit 21½; notes, 22½. Total 84.

Jack Conway (winner of fourth prize)—Hatching, 17½; rearing, 25; exhibit, 19; notes, 20½. Total 82.

Maurice Corfield—Hatching, 13½; rearing, 25; exhibit, 20; notes, 20½. Total 78½.

Theresa Thomas—Hatching, 9½; rearing, 25; exhibit, 22½; notes, 20. Total 77.

Philip Brennan—Hatching, 13½; rearing, 18; exhibit, 21½; notes, 20. Total 73.

The bronze medal presented by the B.C. Poultry Association to the boy gaining the greatest number of points has been won by Robert Homewood. The bronze medal presented by the B.C. Poultry Association to the girl gaining the greatest number of points was won by Adeline Crossley.

The North Saanich Social Club held their regular weekly card party on Saturday evening in the old school house. Progressive 500 was played at twelve tables and bridge at one table. Winners of the prizes were Miss Annie Lorenzen and Mr. Chancellor. Supper was in charge of Mrs. Hill, Mrs. Mann and Miss Irene Frost. A dance was then held, the music for which was supplied by Mrs. McLean. A meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the club is being held at Mrs. Toomers, Bazan Bay on Tuesday afternoon.

The Venerable the Archdeacon Laycock of Victoria preached at Holy Trinity, Patricia Bay, on Sunday morning.

At the evening service at St. Andrew's the Rev. A. E. de L. Nunns, rector of St. Mary's, Oak Bay, preached.

The Rev. T. M. Hughes, rector of North Saanich and Sidney preached on Sunday evening at St. Saviour's, Victoria.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Beale, Fourth Street, are congratulating them on the birth of a daughter, born on Friday, December 4.

Mr. and Mrs. McConkey have returned to their home in Seattle after a visit to their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Rankin, Beacon Avenue.

Miss Annie Lorenzen of Victoria spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Lorenzen of School Cross Road.

The friends of Charlie Moggridge, Third Street, will be sorry to hear he is ill.

Mrs. Ritchie of Port Angeles has been spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson of Queen's Avenue.

Ernest Weir has returned from the prairies, where he has been for some months.

Charlie Lennard, who has been in the interior all the Summer, has returned to Sidney.

The many friends of Miss Doris Blackburn will regret to hear she was knocked down by a car and her face and hands have been badly cut. She fortunately escaped more serious injury.

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ESQUIMALT COUNCIL HEARS OF SURPLUS

Money Available to Keep Men Employed Until End of Year

The report of H. T. Bourne, municipal engineer for Esquimalt, read at the meeting of the council last night, showed an anticipated balance of funds expropriated for public works, of $3,750. Mr. Bourne stated in his report that the total expenditure of the public works department of the municipality for the year up to November 30, amounted to $27,037.80, leaving a present balance, totally unexpected of $5,639.65. The anticipated balance of $3,750, mentioned in Mr. Bourne's report, depends upon the work authorized by the council before the end of the year.

"After allowing for bills outstanding, and the amount necessary for various services till the end of the year, and assuming that it is not the council's intention to reduce or lay off the outside staff, I estimate that there will be a surplus amounting to about $3,750," read Mr. Bourne's report.

Mr. Bourne suggested that work be done on three of the municipality's streets, Joffre, Swinford and Fleming Streets, in order to give steady employment to men of the municipal staff until the end of the year. The cost of work on these streets was estimated as follows: Joffre Street, $875; Swinford Street, $350, and Fleming Street, $375.

A further report from Mr. Bourne stated that Dockyard Road needed macadamizing, and that this would cost about $150. There was little work necessary on Crittle Street, the report said. This work will be undertaken when weather conditions permit. The work on Joffre Street will not be authorized, but that on the others will be completed by Esquimalt Road gangs.

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OLIVER FACES POOLEY WITH FLAT DENIAL HE EXCEEDED POWER IN U.B.C. FINANCES

Acted Only Within Constitution in Allowing Over-Commitments, He Declares, Answering Opposition Leader's Charge; Letters to Contractors Well Justified and Government is Ready to Leave its Action to the House.

Facing one another across the floor of the Legislature last night, Premier Oliver and R. H. Pooley, Opposition Leader, came to grips over the B. C. University building over-expenditure.

After listening to several days' of intermittent attacks by the Opposition on its handling of the University building programme the Premier was roused into vigorous reply to Mr. Pooley's charge that he had acted in an unconstitutional manner in over-spending money voted for building purposes. The Government leader denied emphatically that he had violated the constitution as charged by Mr. Pooley and added in ringing tones that he was willing to leave his actions to the Legislature and abide by the consequences.

BLUNT WORDS

"Sometimes I think the honorable Leader of the Opposition has periods of intelligence," the Premier remarked drily as he rose to reply to a bluntly-worded speech by Mr. Pooley on the new University loan.

"I quite agree with him when he says that there should have been a loan bill at the last session to cover the cost of the University Buildings," the Premier went. "I said that before. I stated then that there had been an oversight and the reason why the introduction of a loan bill last session was neglected was, so far as I am concerned, because I had been misled. I had made inquiries, and was let to believe, and did believe that there was sufficient money available to carry through the work to this session.

"I disagree with the statement of the Leader of the Opposition that the Government collectively had knowledge of over-commitments at the last session. That statement is not in accordance with the facts. The Government didn't know collectively. I claim I am not yet fully qualified to be placed in a home for the feeble-minded, and anyone would know without argument that a government would prefer to bring down a bill in anticipation of an expenditure rather than a bill to justify an expenditure already made."

"Well, there's always the desire to put off the evil day," remarked Major R. J. Burde of Alberni.

"Yes, quite true, there's something in that," the Premier agreed. "That's why we don't let the Opposition get into power. We're anxious to put off that evil day for the people of British Columbia."

"This is a serious situation—why treat it with such levity?" Major Burde demanded.

"Well, I don't feel like shedding any tears over it," the Premier admitted.

"It's a no wthing for you not to cry over things," the Alberni member retorted.

"When one point has been chalked up for the member for Alberni we'll proceed," the Premier remarked with a chuckle when the laughter had subsided.

EXPLAIN LETTERS

Referring to his famous letters to the E. J. Ryan Contracting Company regarding payments to it, the Premier went on: "I don't know what new construction will be placed on those letters till all the Opposition members have spoken. What I had in my mind in writing those letters was this fact—there had been an expenditure by the contractors of a large amount of money. The contractor was entitled to receive pay periodically according to the contract. The money was not available and naturally the contractor was somewhat exercised. If he needed a letter like that which I gave to him to maintain his credit I didn't see any reason and I don't now see any reason why I shouldn't have given it to him.

"If the Legislature is prepared to condemn me I will take the consequences and abide by them," he declared emphatically. "And in that case I shall still have my own opinion on what I did."

"I took the stand and I take it still that the contractor, having acted in good faith, was not called upon to suffer any loss and he had a right to expect the Government to pay the same rate of interest he was paying at the bank for the accommodation he was receiving.

NOT UNCONSTITUTIONAL

"The Leader of the Opposition suggests that my action was unconstitutional, but he cannot find anything to show I did anything wrong in giving those letters. I cannot read any guarantee into those letters. They are simply an acknowledgment that the Province owes that much to the contractors and a statement to the bank that when the Legislature provides the money, if it chooses to do so, that the money will be paid to the contractors through the bank."

The Premier read parliamentary authorities to support his contention that a Government in cases of emergency is entitled and, in fact, is bound to over-expend legislative appropriations for highly important work. For this purpose, he said, the Government is given discretionary powers subject to the approval of the Legislature. For this reason, he asserted, the Government's action in regard to the University was not a breach of the constitution.

"If what I have done or if what the Government has done is unconstitutional we have very good precedents for it," the Premier added.

OPPOSITION NOT READY

The Government, he concluded, had been widely criticized in the Conservative press for its failure to bring down vital legislation promptly. Now when an important bill was down, he said, referring to Mr. Pooley's request for an adjournment of the debate, the Opposition was not ready to discuss it.

At Mr. Pooley's suggestion the Premier adjourned the debate while Capt. Ian Mackenzie, chairman of the Public Accounts Committee of the House, tabled all evidence on the university taken before that committee this session.

In his attack on the University loan bill Mr. Pooley announced that the Opposition would not support the measure until it had received full facts concerning the University building situation. He declared that the Government had known collectively last session that the University appropriation had been entirely committed and should have brought down a new loan bill then.

DENIES STATEMENT

Hon. J. D. MacLean, Minister of Finance, denied this statement.

"I have the sworn evidence and a letter from the Comptroller-General of June of this year setting out the position of the loan as at November last year," Mr. Pooley retorted.

"I challenge him to produce a single sentence to support that," interjected Capt. Mackenzie.

"Well, I'll ask leave to adjourn the House for two minutes until I can go to my office and get it," Mr. Pooley insisted.

"He's out of order," the Premier protested, "in trying to discuss the evidence not reported to the House."

"Who are we going to follow, the Premier or the Chairman of the Committee who challenges the Opposition Leader to produce his evidence?" demanded C. E. Davie, of Cowichan-Newcastle.

"You're all out of order," thundered Mr. Speaker, and Mr. Pooley proceeded with his address.

WILL PUBLISH FACTS

"He has no right to allow the chairman of the committee to challenge my statement," Mr. Pooley declared. "If I can't publish it here I shall see that it's published in the press to-morrow morning."

"That's a quasi-threat," protested Major Burde.

Mr. Pooley affirmed that many members on both sides of the House were not fully familiar with the University financing and the Government's extraordinary handling of it. Until all these facts were known he could not support the new loan bill, he said.

He reviewed the history of the University over-commitment, quoting the Premier's letter to the Ryan Company in which Mr. Oliver said that the money due the contractors would be paid with interest when the Legislature had voted it. The contractors facing further difficulties, the Premier had given a second letter covering another payment, making a total commitment of $235,000, he said.

NO AUTHORITY

"I have searched the parliamentary authorities through and have failed to find anything that would justify this action," Mr. Pooley asserted. "I don't know whether there were any more letters given or whether there was any more extraordinary financing of this kind."

He declared that not only had the Premier agreed to finance the Ryan Company but had actually asked that firm to finance the Government.

"Never in the history of any British institution has such an action been carried out," he affirmed, adding that the Premier had exceeded his constitutional powers and gone over the head of the Legislature.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA LIES IN STATE; BRITAIN PAYS SOLEMN REVERENCE





Humble villagers of Sandringham filed past the mortal remains of Queen Alexandra as they rested in state in the Sandringham Church awaiting removal to London later. Above are shown the townsfolk entering the church. Lower picture shows the Royal coffin, its elegant simplicity in marked contrast to the magnificence of the interior of the house of worship.

ANNUAL FINANCIAL PROGRAMME FINDS LONE OPPOSITION

Jones Wants to Know How Last Loan Voted by House Was Spent

Determined opposition to the Government's financial proposals, which was indicated Friday night when the Conservatives challenged a division on the main budget resolution, showed up in the House last night when J. W. Jones of North Oganagan announced that the Highway Loan Bill would not be allowed to pass without further information.

"Last year we authorized the minister to borrow $3,000,000 for highways and bridges," said Mr. Jones. "We have received no account from him of what he did with the money and now he comes to us for another two-and-quarter millions. The people are taxed heavily on gasoline and motor licenses and have a right to know how this money is being used. We must insist that the Minister of Public Works give us a comprehensive statement of what he did with the proceeds of last year's loan, and what he purposes doing with every dollar of this before we approve the bill."

R. H. Pooley, Opposition Leader, adjourned the debate to allow the Government to produce the required information. G. A. Walkem, Provincial member for Point Grey, joined in the opposition protesting against the clause which gives the Government until 1980 to repay the loan.

"Highway loans should be repaid during the life of the utility," he declared. "We'll need bridges in fifty-five years and such a long time should not be allowed. The Government will copy from the good practice of the municipalities in this regard."

HOUSE APPROVES INTRODUCTION OF OLD AGE PENSION

Legislature Unanimous in Recording Support of Nation-wide Pension Scheme

Urges Provinces to Get Together and Work Out Methods of Launching Programme

The Legislature went on record yesterday as unanimously favoring the introduction of old-age pensions into Canada. Its resolution on the subject urges all the provinces to get together in framing an old-age pension scheme which will handle the problem of indigent old age all over the Dominion.

This resolution was moved several days ago by R. H. Neelands, Labor, South Vancouver, and Hon. William Sloan, Provincial Secretary, resumed the debate yesterday afternoon. British Columbia was recognized as a leader in social legislation, he said, and had been the first province to pass a resolution favoring old age pensions. The journals of previous sessions showed that he had had no small part in bringing the subject before the House, and he emphasized the peculiar importance of the measure in this province where so large a portion of the population consisted of industrial workers who have little chance to save for their old age.

The subject had been introduced in the Dominion Parliament, Mr. Sloan pointed out, and there was to have been a joint conference of the Dominion and Provincial governments on the subject during the present year, but the general election had intervened, making this impracticable. The issue had been raised by Liberal and Labor members during the election, but owing to the division of forces many advocates of old age pensions in both parties had been defeated and Mr. Sloan urged both parties to consider the loss of objectives thus sustained through the failure to co-operate at election times. He expressed the fervent hope that old age pensions would soon become law, however.

JUSTICE FOR ALL

H. G. Perry, Liberal member for Fort George, expressed regret that the spirit of reform was dying out of the Liberal party as evidence in the failure of the Dominion Parliament to act during the past four years on this subject so essentially a part of the Liberal policy of social justice for all.

PASSING THE BUCK

J. W. Jones, sole Conservative spokesman on the resolution, expressed sympathy with the principle and commented that its frequent repetition as a topic for resolutions was probably due to the fact that a resolution asking the Federal Government to do something did not cost the province anything. The resolution simply "passed the buck" to Ottawa, he said, where the Department of Justice last year had reported to a special committee on old age pensions, that the Dominion had no power and that action could be taken only by the provinces. As it was evident from the financial position of British Columbia that this Government could do nothing he saw no reason for opposing the resolution, which carried unanimously.

Thomas Uphill, Labor, Fernie, urged that British Columbia establish its own old age pensions at once.

The resolution proposed by Mr. Neelands asks that the Dominion Government take action by legislation of its own or that the provinces unite and agree on joint action.

MANY BILLS READY FOR FINAL READING

A dozen bills were put through their semi-final stages in the Legislature yesterday ready for third and final reading this week. They were acts to amend the Short Term Mortgages Act; the Strathcona Park Act; the West Nicomen Dyking Act the Trespass Act; the Animals Act; the Administration Act; the Pound Districts Act; and the Jury Act. Other acts dealth with were: The Port Coquitlam Bill; a bill designed to aid the reciprocal enforcement of judgments and awards in the various provinces; an act to make the Lemieux Act operative in provincial industries and the new Marine Insurance Act. Bills that emerged from committee stage without amendment were: An amendment to the Municipalities Incorporation Act; an Act to make uniform the law respecting the liability in case of accident; an Act amending the Dyking Assessments Adjustment Act; an amendment to the Mutual Fire Insurance Companies Act; an amendment to the Interpretation Act; and an amendment to the Societies Act



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ONTARIO HUNTER WAS ACCIDENTALLY KILLED

Orangeville, Ont., Dec. 8—The lifeless body of John Gillespie, forty-two, building contractor of Toronto, missing since Thursday last, was found yesterday in a thicket on his 200-acre farm at Wasaga Beach after a two-day search. There was a gunshot wound in one of the legs and it is believed Gillespie tripped over a long and discharged the shotgun which he carried in his quest for rabbits. It is thought he bled to death.

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Wall Street TO-DAY

Last Minute News on Stocks and Financial Affairs

New York, Dec. 8 (By R. P. Clark & Co)—Firmness from time to time attracted heavy realizing and as a result of this to-day's movements were rather mixed. The stock list in the forenoon dealings took on a top heavy appearance following the early weakness in American can, though outside of the pressure on this stock realizing appeared to be the directing force until the appearance of the President's message which proved to be so constructive in character that a sharpe price recovery followed in the main body of stocks.

Among the high lights in the President's message was his prediction of unprecedented prosperity ahead, if proper precautions were taken and also he favored consolidation of railroads under supervision of a commerce commission.

Money displayed a hardening tendency after renewing at 5 per cent, an dthis for a time revived conjecture over the rediscount rate, starting fresh talk of a probable increase this or next week.

Business reports were mainly favorable. The oil and gas journal this week showed a lowering in production of crude while the refined oil was advanced fractionally in the East.

Probable action of the Federal Reserve Board Thursday may be a temporary force to contend with, but constructive influences mking their appearance almost daily seem forceful enough to propel prices still higher.

New York, Dec. 8 (By B. C. Bond Corporation's direct Wall Street wire) —The Wall Street Journal's stock market edition this afternoon says:

Profiting developed in to-day's session after a burst of strength, resulting from the good feeling aroused by the broadly constructive character of President Coolidge's message to Congress. Steel, Chrysler, General Motor, Hudson and other leaders of the industrial group attained the best levels of the current movement and the market as a whole displayed a confident tone. Prices fluctuated somewhat uncertainly in the middle of the afternoon when presence of profit-taking were given impetus by a rise in call money to 5 per cent compared with a renewal rate of 4½ per cent.

When irregularity cropped out professionals started selling on the theory that the market's failure to show greater enthusiasm over the President's prediction of an era of "prosperity almost without limit," indicated that the general list was in a wornout condition. Bullish sentiment received considerable encouragement from the address.

With 218 votes now required to call any bill from the committee against 150 under the previous rule, it was believed that an effective means had been reached to check the insurgents' favorite methods of blocking measures favored by the party in power. However, advancing tendencies were restrained by persistent selling of American Can, which dropped to 245 3-4, compared with yesterday's high of 254.

One of the stories which accompanied this drop was to the effect that no capital readjustment would be made this year, and that directors would content themselves with declaring a $10 extra dividend at the meeting due December 29. Waves of selling swept over the general last around noon, due to profit-taking by traders seeking funds to meet December 15 tax instalments.

Another source of irregularity was further calling of loans to strengthen the reserve position of the clearing banks which showed a surplus of $2,495,370 in Saturday's statement, a loss of about $20,000,000 in two weeks. American Smelting was an exception, running up more than four points to new high ground for the year at 128¼. This strength was based on the high rate of the company's earnings which justify the expectation that the increase in the common dividend to a $7 basis will be followed by further generosities next year.

Time money market quiet, rates steady. Brokers are bidding 4⅞ per cent. and lending banks asking 5 per cent. for all dates up to six months. Commercial paper market quiet. There is a good demand for choice names from banks, especially out of town, but dealers portfolios are empty.

NEW YORK STOCKS

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE, DECEMBER 8, 1925

(Supplied by two local stockbrokers over direct New York wire)

	High	Low	Last
Rails—			
Atch., Top. & Santa Fe	128	127-3	127-3
Atlantic Coast Line	245	245	245
Baltimore, Ohio	93	91-7	92-6
Canadian Pacific	146	145-6	146
Chesapeake & Ohio	118-1	117	117-2
Chic., Mil. & St. P.	9-7	9-7	9-7
Do. pref.	18-7	18-4	18-[illegible]
Chicago Northwest	75-4	74-2	74-6
Chic., R.I. & P.	48-2	47-3	47-6
Delaware & Hudson	146-6	146	146-6
Del., Lack. & Western	140-6	140	140-6
Erie	37-6	37-4	37-6
Great Northern, pref.	78-7	78-2	78-4
Illinois Central	118-7	118-4	118-4
Kansas City Southern	48-3	47-4	47-6
Louisville & Nashville	144-5	143	143
Miss., Kas. & Texas	42	41-4	41-4
Missouri Pacific	41-2	40-3	40-3
New York Central	129-1	127-7	128-5
N.Y., N.H. & Hartford	45	44-3	44-4
Ontario & Western	27-7	27-6	27-6
Norfolk & Western	147-4	145-5	147-4
Northern Pacific	75-3	75	75-2
Pennsylvania	53-4	53-2	53-4
Reading	88-4	87-6	87-6
St. Louis & San Fran.	99-3	98-6	98-6
St. Louis & S.W.	62	60-3	61-2
Southern Pacific	100	99-7	99-7
Southern Railway	117-2	116-2	116-4
Texas Pacific	54-5	53-7	54-5
Union Pacific	149-2	148-2	148-2
Wabash	42-2	41-5	41-5
Wabash & "A"	72-6	72-2	72-2
Seaboard Air Line	52-4	51-3	51-3
Motors—			
Chrysler	225-2	218	218
Chandler Motor Co.	48-4	47-2	47-2
Continental Motors	11-7	11-3	11-7
General Motors	121-2	119-1	119-6
Hupp. Motors	28	27-6	27-7
Hudson Motor Co.	111-6	107-5	108
Mack Truck	218-3	216-4	217
Jordan	50-2	50-2	50-2
Moon Motors	36-2	36-2	36-2
Packard Motor Co.	41-7	41-3	41-4
Pierce Arrow Motor	39	37-2	37-2
Studebaker	58-2	57	57-6
White Motor Co.	87-6	85-4	85-5
Willys-Overland	28-2	27-6	27-6
Do. pref.	123-4	123-2	123-7
Dodge, com.	44-2	43-2	43-4
Do. pref.	87-5	87-3	87-5
Accessories—			
American Bosch Mag.	34-3	31-4	34
Electric Stg. Battery	78-4	77-3	77-3
Fisherbody	103	99-4	101-7
Fisk Tire Company	23	22-6	22-6
Goodrich Rubber	66-5	65-4	66-5
Kelly Springfield Tire	18-2	16-2	16-2
Stewart Warner Co.	38-4	35-4	38
Timken Roller Bearing	54	53-2	53-3
U.S. Rubber	90	90	90
Hayes Wheel	44-6	44-3	44-4
Sugars—			
Amn. Sugar Refinery	76-7	76-7	76-7
Tobaccos—			
R. J. Reynolds Tob. Co.	93	92-7	92-7
Tob. Products	96-3	95-6	96-3
Gen. Cigar	103	103	103
Coppers—			
Howe Sound	29	28-5	29
Anaconda	49-5	49-2	49-5
American Smelters	128-2	124	127-6
Butte & Superior	18-4	17-2	17-6
Cerro de Pasco Copper	63-4	62-6	63
Chile Copper Co.	34-4	34-1	34-4
Dome Mines	17-4	17-4	17-4
Granby Cons. Mining	21-2	21	21
Great Northern Ore	25-7	25-6	25-6
Inspiration Copper Co.	26-4	26-4	26-4
International Nickel	46-2	45-2	46-1
Miami Copper Co.	11-4	11-4	11-4
Ray Cons. Copper	12-5	12-4	12-5
Fed. Mining & Smelt.	92-7	91	92-6
Kennecott	54-7	54-3	54-4
Magma	43-1	43-1	43-1
U.S. Smelting	46-1	45-6	46-1
Equipments—			
American Locomotive	173-4	173	173-2
Baldwin Locomotive	128-3	127-4	127-4
Lima Locomotive	67-4	67-4	67-4
N.Y. Air Brake	36-4	36-4	36-4
Pullman Co.	162-7	161-4	161-4
West. Air Brake	125-2	123-4	123-4
Gen. Ry. Signals	75-7	72-3	75-3
Steels—			
American Steel Fdy.	43-6	43-3	43-4
Bethlehem Steel	49-6	48-7	48-3
Crucible Steel	83-2	82-6	82-7
Gulf States Steel	91-6	90-7	90-7
Republic I. & S.	59-6	58-4	59-2
Sloss-Sheffield Steel	143-4	140-6	140-6
United States Steel	137-3	135-7	135-7
Do. pref.	125-7	125-6	125-7
Youngstown Sheet & T.	88-7	88-2	88-7
Ludlam Steel	56	54-4	54-7
Oils—			
Ind. Oil & Gas	33-6	33-1	33-1
Associated Oil	44-1	43-6	44
California Pete.	31-7	31-5	31-6
Cosden Oil	36-7	36-4	36-4
Houston Oil	71-2	71-2	71-2
Marland Oil	59	58	58-1
Pacific Oil	60-3	60	60-2
Pan Western	43-2	43-1	43-1
Do. "B"	79-2	78	78
Phillips Pete.	45-4	45	45-3
Producers & Refiners	16-2	16-2	16-2
Pure Oil	27-1	26-7	27
Royal Dutch	54-6	54-5	54-6
Shell Union Oil	26-3	26-1	26-2
Sinclair Oil	21-2	20-7	20-7
Standard Oil—Calif.	55-5	55-2	55-4
Standard Oil—N.J.	44-2	43-7	43-7
Texas Company	52-7	52-4	52-7
Texas Pacific C. & O.	16-1	16	16
Industrials and Miscellaneous—			
Amn. & Foreign Power	43	42-4	42-6
Fleischmann's Yeast	148-4	146-3	146
Nat. Cloak & Suit	75	75	75
Radio	48	46-4	46-4
Pathe Exchange	79-4	78-4	79-4
Elec. Power & Light	31-6	28	31-1
Allied Chemical	13-3	13	13
Allis Chalmers Mfg.	91-6	91-6	91-6
American Agl. Chem.	37-5	37-5	37-5
Amn. Agric. Corp.	42-3	42-3	42-3
American Can	254	245-2	251-1
American Ice	135	133-2	134
American Linseed	47-4	47-4	47-4
American Radiator	115-4	114	114
American Tgh. & Tele.	144-6	144-4	144-6
American Woolens	46-1	46-1	46-1
Associated Dry Goods	56-1	56	56
Atlantic Gulf W.I.	59-6	58-6	59
Barnsdall "A"	37-4	37-3	37-3
Beech Nut Packing	71-6	68	70-4
Brooklyn Edison	136	135-4	135-4
Burns Bros. "A"	122-2	122-2	122-2
Calif. Packing	129-2	129-1	129-2
Central Leather	20-3	20	20
Coca Cola	153-5	152-4	152-4
SColo. Fuel & Iron	38-1	38-1	38-1
Comptg. & Tablg.	167	167	167
Cons. Cigar	59-7	56	57-3
Consolidated Gas	96-3	94-5	96-1
Continental Can	84	83	83-4
Corn Products	40-6	40-2	40-6
Dupont Powder	24-6	23-6	23-6
Eastman Kodak	110-4	109-3	109-6
Famous Players-Lasky	110-5	109-1	110-5
Freeport Texas	21-5	21-2	21-2
General Asphalt	64-4	62-7	62-7
General Electric	325	318-4	319
Industrial Alcohol	76	77-7	75
Intl. Harvester	128	128	128
Intl. Merc. Mar., pref.	38-3	37-6	37-6
Intl. Paper	62-3	61-4	62-1
May Dept. Stores	136	135-4	136
Montana Power	84-5	80-3	82-6
Montgomery Ward	81-5	80-7	81-3
North American Co.	68	67	67
Pac. Gas & Elec. Co.	134	133-3	134
Philadelph laCo.	67-2	65-6	67
Postum Cereal	94-4	91	92-4
Public Service N.J.	80-4	80	80-1
Savage Arms	80-7	80-2	80-7
Sears Roebuck	231	229	229
Texas Gulf Sulphur	116-4	115-3	116-2
U.S. Cast Iron Pipe	206-4	200	200
Westinghouse Elec.	74-2	74-1	74-1
Western Union	139-6	137-6	139
Woolworth Co.	203	200-4	200-6
Gimbel Bros.	76-6	76-4	76-4
Nat. Dairy Products	77	77	77
Union Bag & Paper	77	77	77
Universal Pipe	29-6	28-7	29
Inter. Tel. & Tel.	116	115-5	115-5
Columbia Gas	81-3	80-5	81-3

CHICAGO GRAIN

Chicago, Dec. 8 (By R. P. Clark & Co.)—Wheat: Buying power gave out on the early advance and prices tumbled badly in the late trading of profit-taking. More cheerful crop estimates from the Argentine, reports of better weather, easiness in Liverpool, complaints of less active demand for the cash article from the Canadian Northwest, with the close of lake navigation nearing and the easier premiums for wheat in several of the domestic markets, was too much for holders and they sold freely. On the way down there was fairly good support encountered, but it failed to stem the trend.

The estimate by Broomhall of 140,600,000 bushels as the probable exportable surplus for the Argentine, was construed as bearish. Export demand was moderate with the Seaboard confirming sales of 500,000 to 600,000 bushels to the United Kingdom and continent. Movement of wheat from the farms in this country remained fairly large compared with recent market. Stock at Minneapolis for three days increased 175,000 bushels. We have had an extended advance in wheat the last month without any permanent setbacks. It is logical to expect reactions at this level. On any further break, however, believe the buying side will again be in order.

Corn manifested a steady undertone much of the session, but lost its gain in sympathy with abrupt decline in the leading cereal in the last hour. The demand for cash corn was healthier, and the basis was steady compared with futures. The movement of corn from the country was slightly below recent arrivals. Weather conditions were regarded as generally favorable. There were 450,000 bushels corn sold to store to-day. Deliveries on contract aggregated 185,000 bushels. Corn is giving a good account of itself and should be bought on dips.

Oats held steady much of the day, but eased slightly in line with other grains. Late commission house demand early was enough to absorb all offerings, elevator interests were again buying the December and selling the May in shifting over of hedges. The demand for cash oats fair with the basis steady. There were 361,000 bushels delivered on contract. On recessions regard the buying side with favor.

Rye: After an early break prices advanced nearly 7 cents, but the slump in wheat brought out enough rye to carry prices back below the previous close. Foreign interest in rye has been improved, the last few days, and there are intimation that more export business will be done shortly. There were 52,000 bushels raye delivered on contract to-day. For the present rye is likely to sympathize with the general trend of the leading cereal.

Chicago, Dec. 8 (By B.C. Bond Corporation's direct pit wire)—After a lower opening wheat rallied sharply on strength in Winnipeg. On the bulges profit-taking develpped and a fair sized break occurred. Due to church holiday Argentine markets closed. Weather conditions there are reported somewhat better. Believe no any further break wheat may again be purchased.

Corn: Stronger with fair commission house buying, but eased off in sympathy with wheat.

	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat—				
May (new)	174¼	176⅝	170⅝	171
May	172	174	168⅝	169
July	151⅝	153½	149⅞	150
Dec. (new)	179¼	180½	175	176
Dec.	177½	178½	173	173½
Corn—				
May	83½	84⅞	83⅜	84
July	85½	86⅝	85⅝	85⅝
Dec.	77	78⅞	77	78⅛
Oats—				
May	45⅜	46⅜	45¼	45½
July	46¾	47	45⅞	45⅞
Dec.	41⅝	42⅜	41⅝	41⅝
Rye—				
May	106	109½	105	105
Dec.	111	117⅜	111	113

To-days Mining Markets

Mining—	Bid	Asked
B.C. Silver	1.47	1.60
Boundary Red Mountain	.19	
Bowena Copper	..	.10
Cork Province	.05	
Douglas Channel	..	.02
Dunwell Mines	1.38	1.42
Dunwell Partly Paid	.86	.95
Glacier Creek	.07	.10
Gladstone	.25	
Gleaner	..	.70
Granby	..	24.00
Howe Sound	29.00	
Independence	..	.14
Indian Mines	..	.08
International Coal	.11	
L. & L. Glacier	.09	.14
Lakeview	..	.20
Marmot Metals	..	.12
McGillivray Coal	..	.72
Phoenix	..	.20
Porter Idaho	.08½	.14
Premier Mines	2.20	2.28
Rufus	..	.12
Selkirks	..	.05
Silverado	..	.60
National Silver	..	.18
Sheep Creek Consolidated	..	.09½
Silver Crest Mines	..	.10
Silversmith	.33	.36
Standard Silver Lead	.24	
Sunloch Mines	..	.36
Surf Inlet Gold	.08	.30
Terminus	..	.30
Victoria	.10	.30
Oils—		
British Petroleum	.05	.08
Spartan Oil	..	.00½
Sweetgrass	..	.00⅜
Trojan Oil	..	.01¾
B.C. Montana	..	.00⅝
Miscellaneous—		
Amal. Appliance	..	.50
Canada National Fire	..	30.00
Great West Perm. Loan	..	30.00
Gregory Tire & Rubber	..	3.00

SUGAR

New York, Dec. 8.—Refined sugar prices were unchanged to-day at 5.00 to 5.50 for fine granulated.

CANADA'S TRADE GROWTH SETTING RECORD, BANK PRESIDENT TELLS BOARD

Montreal, Dec. 8—Sir Vincent Meredith, president of the Bank of Montreal, in his address at the annual meeting of the bank here, dealt with Canada's foreign trade, pointing out that the aggregate value of this country's commerce in the seven months ended October 31, was exceeded only once in the last seven years, namely, in 1920, when prices were at the peak.

In the seven months imports and domestic exports amounted to $1,248,000,000, an increase of close upon $200,000 over last year, and nearly fifty per cent in excess of this trade as recently as four years ago.

It was gratifying also to find that exports had exceeded imports by the large sum of $181,243,000, an excess never before reached in a similar period. As to imports these have risen $68,000 to a total of $533,620,000 since March last. This might be accepted as an indication of the moderate improvement in business the country over which had latterly set in.

Sir Vincent pointed out, however, that as a consequence of the return of European countries to a gold basis, Canada was beginning to feel the effects of increased competition both in her foreign trade and at home.

Of national problems, he was persuaded that none pressed upon Parliament more urgently for the solution than that of railways, for the capital debt of the national railways had been increased $572,825,000 in the last five years, a staggeringly large amount when it was remembered that not one dollar of net revenue had yet been available toward these new interest charges.

He urged that national expenditures be so controlled that within a reasonable time, Canadian taxes should not exceed those in the United States, saying that this would provide an important stimulus to industry, and an effective aid to immigration and colonization. He added:

"I deprecate most strongly expressions of opinion based on local conditions and individual business which are perverted into pessimism as to the country's future when no real foundation for such a sentiment exists."

Retail Market

Revised December 8, 1925

Vegetables	
Garlic, lb.	.30
Cauliflowers .10 to	.15
Local Potatoes, 9 lbs.	.25
Mint	.05
Carrots, 15 lbs.	.25
Sweet Potatoes, 3 lbs. for	.25
Brussels Sprouts, 3 lbs.	.25
Spinach, 2 lbs. for	.25
Netted Gem Potatoes	1.25
Ashcroft Potatoes	3.00
Local Potatoes	2.94
Fruit	
Apples—	
New Local Apples, 3 lbs. for	.25
Jonathan, 3 lbs. for	.25
Delicious, 2 lbs. for	.25
Newton Pippin, 2 lbs. for	.25
Spitzenburg, 3 lbs. for	.25
McIntosh Red, per lb.	.10
Gravenstein box 2.00, 1.75 and	1.50
Fresh Rhubarb, lb.	.20
Fresh Pineapples, each	.60
Fresh Artichokes, each	.25
Lemons, Cal., doz 30 and	.40
Grapefruit, California, 3 for	.25
Jap. Oranges, box	.79
New Navel Oranges, doz. .60, .50 and	.40
Valencia Oranges, per dozen .60, .50, .40, .30 and	.20
Cal. Grapes, lb. 15 and	.25
Pomegranates, each	.10
Arizona Grapefruit, each .10, 12½	.15
Pumpkin, lb.	.03
Fresh Cranberries, lb.	.25
Dates, 2 lbs.	.25
New Comb Honey, comb	.25
New California Cluster Raisins, box	.28
Spanish Cluster Raisins .65 and	.50
Smyrna Figs .50 .40 and	.35
Nuts	
Almonds, per lb.	.35
Walnuts, per lb.	.35
California Soft Shell Walnuts, lb.	.45
Brazils, new, per lb.	.30
Filberts, per lb.	.30
Roasted Peanuts, per lb.	.15
Chestnuts, lb.	.30
Dairy Produce and Eggs	
Butter—	
Best Alberta, cartons	.54
Comox, lb.	.57
V.I.M.P.A.	.57
Cowichan Creamery, lb.	.55
Salt Spring Island, lb.	.57
Pure Lard, lb.	.25
Eggs—	
B.C. fresh, extras	.65
B.C. fresh, firsts	.58
Poultry	
Alberta Turkeys	.45
No. 1 Local Turkeys	.50
Cheese	
B.C. Cream Cheese, lb	.45
B.C. Solids, lb.	.35
Finest Ontario Mild, per lb.	.38
Finest Ontario Matured, per lb.	.40
Edam Dutch Cheese, per lb.	.45
Gouda Cheese, per lb.	.75
Gorgonzola, per lb.	.65
Swiss Gruyere, in portions, box	.55
English Stilton, jar	.90
English Stilton, lb.	.55
Canadian Stilton, lb.	.40
Imported Roquefort, per lb.	.65
Swiss Gruyere, box	.55
Eagle Brand Camembert, box	.54
Circle Brand Breakfast Cheese, two packages	.75
Fish	
Fresh Herrings, 3 lbs.	.25
Bloaters, 2 lbs.	.25
Cod Fillets, per lb.	.22
Frozen Halibut, per lb.	.27
Soles, lb.	.15
Black Cod, fresh, per lb.	.15
Skate, per lb.	.10
Cod, per lb.	.20
Kippers, per lb.	.15
Finnan Haddies, per lb.	.20
Smoked Black Cod, per lb.	.25
Whiting	.15
Red Salmon, per lb.	.30
Smoked Salmon, per lb.	.40
White Spring Salmon, 2 lbs.	.25
Smelts, per lb.	.25
Shell Fish	
Crabs 15, 20 to	.25
Shrimps, per lb.	.35
Esquimalt Oysters, per dozen	.65
Olympia Oysters, per pint	.90
Fresh Meats	
Pork—	
Trimmed loins, per lb.	.35
Legs, per lb.	.32
Shoulder roasts, per lb.	.25
Pork Sausages, per lb.	.27
No. 1 Beef—	
Sirloin steak, per lb.	.32
Round steak, per lb.	.27
Pot roasts, per lb.	.22
Rump roasts, per lb.	.25
Lamb—	
Shoulders, per lb.	.28
Legs, per lb.	.40
Loins, full, per lb.	.40
Prime Mutton—	
Shoulders, per lb.	.24
Legs, per lb.	.35
Loins, full, per lb.	.32
Rabbits, local, per lb.	.28
Flour	
Flour, all standard brands, 49s	2.35
Flour, pastry, 49s	2.15

Feed	Per ton	Per sack
Wheat, No. 1	$60.00	$2.10
Wheat, No. 2	56.00	2.90
Scratch	54.00	2.80
Whole Barley	44.00	2.30
Whole Corn	52.00	2.70
Cracked Corn	56.00	2.90
Feed Cornmeal	54.00	2.80
Whole Oats	42.00	2.20
Shorts	39.00	2.05
Bran	37.00	1.95
Grd. Oats	44.00	2.30
Cr. Oats	44.00	2.30

Wholesale Market

Revised December 8, 1925

Meats	
No. 1 Steer Beef	.13
Cow Beef	.11
Lamb	.29
Spring Lamb	.28
Mutton	.22
Hogs	.19
Eggs	
Fresh, extras, case lots, dozen	.57
Fresh, firsts, case lots, dozen	.51
Fresh, pullets, case lots, dozen	.43
Butter	
Specials, cartons	.45
Other grades, prints .44	.46
Dairy solids	.38
Cheese	
Alberta solids, lb., new	.27
Ontario solids, lb.	.28½
Ontario twins, lb.	.29
Ontario triplets, lb.	.29¼
Ontario Stiltons, lb.	.33½
Lard	
Tierces, per lb.	.23
Compound, tierces, lb.	.17
Vegetables	
Cabbage, per lb. .02½ and	.03
Celery, per doz. .80 and	1.00
Head Lettuce, Cal., per crt.	5.25
Head Lettuce, local	M.P.
Sweet Potatoes, per lb. .06 to	.07
Tomatoes, hothouse	M.P.
Onions, Okanagan, per sack	1.75
Onions, Spanish, per crt.	6.25
Potatoes, dry belt, per sack 1.00 and	1.25
Beets, per sack	M.P.
Carrots, per sack	M.P.
Turnips, per sack	M.P.
Parsnips, per sack	M.P.
Fruits	
Apples, Okanagan, per box 1.75 to	3.00
Apples, local, per box 1.00 to	1.75
Cranberries	M.P.
Bananas, per lb. .09 and	.09½
Grapes, per lug 3.50 to	3.75
Grapefruit, Calif., per case	5.25
Grapefruit, Arizona, per case	[illegible]
Grapefruit, Florida, case, to arrive	M.P.
Lemons, per case 6.50 to	8.00
Oranges, Navels, per case	M.P.
Oranges, Japs, per bdl.	1.35

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE

New York, Dec. 8. — Foreign exchanges easy. Quotations in cents. Great Britain — Demand 484½; cables 484¾; 60-day bills on banks 480½.

France — Demand 3.75½; cables 3.76.

Italy — Demand 4.02½; cables 4.02¾.

Belgium—Demand 4.52½.
Germany—Demand 23.80.
Holland—Demand 40.14.
Norway—Demand 20.33.
Sweden—Demand 26.75.
Denmark—Demand 24.91.
Switzerland—Demand 19.28.
Spain—Demand 14.27.
Greece—Demand 1.31½.
Poland—Demand .1300.
Czechoslovakia—Demand 2.96.
Jugoslavia—Demand 1.77.
Austria—Demand .14⅛.
Rumania—Demand .47.
Argentina—Demand 41.44.
Brazil—Demand 14.06.
Tokio—Demand 43.
Shanghai—Demand 77⅝.
Montreal—Demand 100

WINNIPEG GRAIN

Winnipeg, Dec. 8—Extensive selling by longs with a poor buying power turned the wheat market into a bearish affair to-day with final figures 4¾ cents to 5⅝ lower, December suffering the heaviest loss and closing at 158⅜. May closed at 161⅛. Coarse grains followed the wheat market and recorded sharp declines.

The weak spell developed about mid-session and the market gave evidence of being over-bought. There was speculative support early in the session with prices one cent to two cents higher until heavy long profit-taking occurred. Export buying was lacking.

Coarse grains and the cash market experienced a featureless session.

Winnipeg, Dec. 8 (By R. P. Clark and Company).—Wheat: The bullish tendency to the market received a severe setback to-day, the weak cables starting general liquidation by longs, both by the public and large trade speculators who, in their efforts to take profits threw overboard their holdings, which could not be absorbed as buying power was then, and very few wanted the grain. After opening from 2 cents to 1 cent down the market reacted strongly; the December advancing fractionally and the May and July from 1¾ cents to 2 cents above the previous close. On this advance the heavy selling got under way and prices slipped rapidly, final figures being practically at the bottom and showing a loss of 5⅝ cents for the day with the December the weakest month.

Exporters were doing nothing all day, reporting no overnight acceptances and bids this morning out of line. The Argentine markets were closed account church holiday there. There was no news from the Argentine to-day because of the fact that Buenos Aires and Rosario markets were closed, they were very strong yesterday. The wheat market has had a tremendous advance lateyl due to public participation on the buying side and the very unfavorable crop reports that have been coming out of the Argntine. This is now believed to have been overdone with deterioration not so severe as reports would indicate, though European markets have continued strong and steadily advanced on short covering, the European importer has not shown any undue alarm, and his buying has been on a very moderate scale recently. It would seem that the advance has been altogether too rapid and severe and further reactions are in order, as there is still a long line to be liquidated.

Coarse grains: Again dull and followed the trend of wheat. Prices held firm and somewhat higher early, but fell away sharply, oats closing 1¾ cent to 1 cent down, barley 3⅝ cents to 2½ cents lower and rye about ½ cent lower.

Flax: Early gains of about 1 cent were lost later, final figures being 2½ to 2¾ cents lower, the general weakness was reflected in this market, though there was no particular pressure. Trade was light.

Winnipeg, Dec. 8 (By B.C. Bond Corporation's Direct Pit Wire)—Market opened lower in sympathy with Liverpool but met good support from prominent interests who were good sellers yesterday and soon reacted above last night's close. On the advance there was heavy profit-taking by prominent locals, caused by increased estimates on the Australian crop and Broomhall's estimate of one hundred and forty million exportable surplus in the Argentine. While this estimate is considerably below Broomhall's previous figures it was construed as bearish by the trade. Export business was very limited. To-day's profit-taking has put market in healthier position, but with prices at these levels violent swings are to be expected and further weakness may be expected. Action of market next few days will depend on attitude of foreign buyers, and while we continue to believe present prices warranted, caution should be used in making commitments. Cash market was somewhat easier with offerings heavier and good class of buying of oats and barley were featureless, declining in sympathy with wheat.

	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat—				
Dec.	162	164⅛	158⅜	158⅜
May	164	167⅛	161	161⅛
July	161	164⅛	158	158
Oats—				
Dec.	48½	48⅝	47¼	47¼
May	52	52¾	51	51¼
July	52⅞	53⅝	51⅞	51⅝
Barley—				
Dec.	66¼	66⅝	63¼	63¼
May	70	70¾	68	68
Flax—				
Dec.	238	239½	235¼	235⅝
May	249	249	244⅝	244⅝
Rye—				
Dec.	106	106⅝	104½	104½
May	110	111	110	110⅛

Cash Prices

Wheat—1 Nor., 162⅜; 2 Nor., 157⅞; 3 Nor., 153⅜; No. 4, 148⅜; No. 5, 156⅜; No. 6, 118⅜; track, 158⅜.

Oats—2 C.W., 49⅝; 3 C.W., 44¼; extra 1 feed, 44⅜; 1 feed, 42¼; 2 feed, 39⅛; rejected, 37⅛; track, 47⅛.

Barley—3 C.W., 63⅜; 4 C.W., 58⅛; rejected, 56⅛; feed, 53⅜; track, 63⅜.

Flax—1 N.W.C., 235⅝; 2 C.W., 231⅝; 3 C.W., 215⅝; rejected, 209⅝; track, 235⅝.

Rye—2 C.W., 104⅛.

Montreal Stocks

(By R. P. Clark & Co. Limited)

	Last
Abitibi	71-6
Asbestos	92-6
Atlantic Sugar	32-6
Bell Telephone	140-6
Brazilian Traction	79-4
B.C. Fish & Pack.	66-6
Brompton Paper	32-7
Can. Cement, com.	103-5
Do., pref.	115-2
Can. Car Fdy., com.	[illegible]
Do., pref.	76-2
Can. S.S., com.	11-4
Do., pref.	56
Can. Cottons	120
Can. Converters	88-4
Cons. M. & S.	149
Dom. Bridge	96
Bank of N.S.	282-4
Dom. Glass	94-4
Dom. Textile	90
Howard Smith	37-4
Lake of Woods Milling	173
Laurentide Co.	85
Mackay Co.	135
Montreal Power	214
National Breweries	55-7
Royal Bank	248
Ogilvie Mlg. Co.	165
Ottawa Power	88
Penmans Limited	150
Shawinigan	167-4
Spanish River Pulp	101-6
Do., pref	114
Steel of Can.	98-7
Bank of Montreal	260
Twin City Elec.	73

NEW YORK SUGAR
(By R. P. Clark & Co. Limited)

	Open	High	Low	Last
Jan.	2.29	2.29	2.28	2.28
March	2.39	2.39	2.34	2.34
May	2.48	2.50	2.46	2.46
July	2.55	2.60	2.55	2.55
Sept.	2.68	2.68	2.64	2.64
Dec.	2.25	2.28	2.23	2.24

VICTORY BONDS

VICTORIA PRICES

	Buy Per $100	Sell Per $100
Victory Loan, 5½%—Tax Free		
1927 1st June and December	101.65	102.65
1933 1st May and November	105.05	106.05
1937 1st June and December	108.10	109.10
War Loan, 5%—Tax Free		
1925 1st June and December Due		
1931 1st April and October	101.65	102.65
1937 1st March and Sept.	103.75	104.75
(Payable New York) Victory Loan, 5½%		
1927 1st May and November	100.75	101.75
1932 1st May and November	102.55	103.55
1934 1st May and November	103.10	104.10
Dominion Loan, 5%		
1928 15th April and October	99.95	100.95
1943 15th April and October	101.20	102.20
1944 15th April and October	96.10	97.10
1954 1st Feb. and Aug. (C.N.R.), 5 per cent.		102.25

Add accrued interest to date: 1927, 1937, 7 days, .105 per $100; 1927, 1932, 1933, 1934, 37 days, .558 per $100; 1928, 1943, 54 days, .740 per $100; 1944, 54 days, .666 per $100.

NEW YORK CURB
(By R. P. Clark & Co. Limited)

	Bid	Asked
Industrials—		
Acme Coal	5	15
Centrifugal	28	28⅛
Checker Cab	14⅝	15
Durant Del	14⅞	15
Mesabi	1⅝	2
Stutz	25¼	25⅝
Reo	24¼	24⅝
Tob. Prod. Ex.	5	3⅝
Un. Profit Shar.	13	14¼
Un. Retail Candy	8⅞	8½
Cities Serv., com.	38⅝	38⅝
Cities Serv., pref.	84⅝	85
Cities Serv. Bkrs.	19¼	19½
American Gas	79	81
Lehigh Power	185	188
National Power	442	445
Oils—		
Carib	6⅝	6½
Glenrock	5	20
Int. Pete.	24	24⅜
Marl. Mex.	3	3½
Mexico Oil	15	25
Continental Oil	25½	25⅝
Noble Oil	5	6
Pennock Oil	23	23⅞
Ryan Cons.	5	5¼
Sapulpa	1	2
Salt Cr. Prod.	32⅝	32⅞
Salt rC. Cons.	8⅜	8⅞
Seaboard Oil	37	37½
Wilcox	11	11¼
Creole Synd.	25⅝	25⅞
JIB	3½	3⅝
Mines—		
Ariz. Globe	16	18
Butte & W.	11	14
Cal. Jerome	15	16
Cons. Copper	1⅞	2
Cresson	2⅝	2¾
Delores	60	70
Eureka	5	6
Hecla	17⅝	18
Hollinger	17⅛	17½
J. C. Dev.	65	100
Kerr Lake	1¼	1¼
Mason Valley	1⅝	1¾
Nipissing	6	6⅛
Ohio Copper	76	80
Ray Herc.	2 7-16	2½
Success	45	49
Teck Hughes	26½	27
Un. Eastern	10	40

METAL MARKETS

London, Dec. 8—Standard copper, spot, £59 10s.; futures, £60 10s.

Electrolytic, spot, £65 10s.; futures, £65.

Tin, spot, £287; futures, £280 7s. 6d.

Lead, spot, £34 12s. 6d.; futures, £34.

Zinc, spot, £38 10s.; futures, £37 12s. 6d.

New York, Dec. 8.—Copper dull; electrolytic, spot and futures, 14 to 14⅛.

Tin steady; spot and nearby, 63.50; futures, 62.75.

Iron steady; unchanged.

Lead easy; spot, 9.25.

Zinc steady; Sast St. Louis spot, 8.80; futures, 8.60 to 8.75.

Antimony, spot, 20.25.

NEW YORK COTTON
(By R. P. Clark & Co. Limited)

	Open	High	Low	Last
Jan.	19.48	19.67	19.07	19.45
March	19.42	19.70	19.05	19.46
May	19.06	19.32	18.75	19.10
July	18.70	18.93	18.45	18.75
Oct.	18.30	18.45	18.05	18.41
Dec.	20.05	20.25	19.60	20.07

Grain Growers Meet B.C. Director Here; Allen to Give Report

J. Allen, chairman of the Victoria local of the United Grain Growers, did not present his report of the Winnipeg conference when he appeared at the meeting at the Dominion Hotel last night, along with other local shareholders, to meet C. E. Hope of Fort Langley, the British Columbia director of the Growers.

Mr. Allen announced that his report will be presented at the next regularly called meeting of the local, which will likely be held in the afternoon so that persons living outside of town can attend.

Mr. Hope last night talked over the wheat pool situation, the question of grain elevators on the Pacific Coast and reported that the finances of the organization were in good shape. He left for the mainland on the midnight boat.

Pulp Mills Planned For Queen Charlottes

Vancouver, Dec. 8.— The Vancouver Morning Sun to-day carries the following special dispatch from Prince Rupert:

"According to word which has reached this city, the Deboys Pulp Mill Company, the principals of which are said to be the Deboys, millionaire interests of Pennsylvania and Oregon, has acquired 100 square miles of pulp leases in the Skidegate region of the Queen Charlotte Islands, and has also bought all the coldings of the Slate Chuck Coal Company there.

"It is believed the company will go ahead with developments along the lines originally contemplated by the Slate Chuck Company. In any case, the new owners of the resources have been carrying on extensive surveys recently with Harold E. Whyte of Musgrave and Whyte, Victoria, in charge."

New York, Dec. 8.—Bar silver, 32 1-16d. per ounce. Money, 3½ per cent. Discount rates: Short and three months' bills, 4 7-16 to 4½ per cent.

Money Markets To-day

New York, Dec. 8. — Call money firm; high 5½; low 5; ruling rate 5; closing bid 5½; offered at 5¾; last loan 5½; call loans against acceptances 4½.

Time loans steady; mixed collateral 60-90 days 4⅞ @ 5; 4-6 months 4⅞ @ 5 per cent.

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LEAD PRICE DOWN

New York, Dec. 8.—The American Smelting and Refining Company to-day reduced the price of lead from 9.50 to 9.25c a pound.

SILVER

New York, Dec. 8.—Bar silver, 69⅛; Mexican dollars, 53¼.

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Sealed tenders addressed to the undersigned and endorsed "Tender for Boat House, Ramp and Float, R.C.N. Barracks, Esquimalt, B.C.," will be received until 12 o'clock noon, Wednesday, December 9, 1925, for the construction of a boat house, ramp and float at Pilgrims' Cove (R.C.N. Barracks), Esquimalt, B.C.

Plans and specification can be seen and forms of tender obtained at the offices of the Chief Architect, Department of Public Works, Ottawa; the Resident Architect, Dept. Public Works, Victoria, B.C.; the Clerk of Works, Dept. Public Works, Vancouver, B.C., and the Caretaker, Public Building, Esquimalt, B.C.

Tenders will not be considered unless made on the forms supplied by the Department and in accordance with the conditions set forth therein.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank payable to the order of the Minister of Public Works, equal to 10 p.c. of the amount of the tender. Bonds of the Dominion of Canada and bonds of the Canadian National Railway Company will also be accepted as security, or bonds and a cheque if required to make up an odd amount.

By order,
S. E. O'BRIEN,
Secretary.
Department of Public Works,
Ottawa, November 11, 1925.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

In the Matter of the Estate of Peder Anton Nilsen, Deceased,
and
In the Matter of the "Administration Act."

Notice is hereby given that under an Order granted by the Honorable the Chief Justice, dated the 6th day of November, A.D. 1925, I, the undersigned, was appointed Administrator of the Estate of the above named deceased. All parties having claims against the said Estate are requested to forward particulars of same to me on or before the 23rd day of January, A.D. 1926, and all parties indebted to the said Estate are required to pay such indebtedness to me forthwith.

Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 20th day of November, A.D. 1925.

R. L. COX,
Official Administrator.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA, B.C.

Tenders Garbage Disposal

Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 4 p.m., December 14, 1925, for the disposal during 1926 of the City Garbage at sea.

Specifications can now be obtained at the City Engineer's Office, City Hall.

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Purchasing Agent.
City Hall, Victoria, B.C., Dec. 4, 1925.

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A SILVER TEA to be held by Esquimalt Branch of Ladies' Sailors' Guild on Wednesday, Dec. 9, at the home of Mrs. Cave, 708 Admiral's Road, at 2.30. 3418-2-136

A SNAPPY DANCE—Come and bring your friends. Harmony Hall, Tuesday, December 8. Charlie Hunt's orchestra. Admission, ladies 25c, gents 50c. 3425-2-131

BENEFIT dance by the Eternal Two, Friday, Dec. 11, in aid of Sidney Memorial Park, at Berquist Hall. Dancing 9 to 1. Ozard's orchestra. 75c, including supper. Flying Line leaves Victoria 8.15, returning after dance. 3447-4-139

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The Faint Heart

By RUBY AYRES

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Babs crept into bed and turned out the light, but she seemed more awake than ever, and in despair she had turned the light on again, when outside in the darkness she heard one of the dogs howling dismally.

Babs loved all animals, and her heart beat in quick sympathy for a dog out alone in the darkness and storm, afraid, perhaps, as she was.

She got out of bed and put on dressing-gown and slippers.

The house was very silent when she opened her door, but as she crept down the wide staircase the lightning was still flashing, though the rain seemed to have ceased, and she shivered as it showed her the grim faces of her ancestors, and the ghostly, silent figures in armor that seemed to guard the staircase.

The bolts of the big front door were too heavy and strong for her to wrestle with, she knew, but there was a French window leading from the library into the garden, which was easy enough to open.

She heard the dog howling still as she crossed the room, and she recognized that it was a young Airedale named Rough, who had a habit of going off by himself for a day at a time, and no doubt had by such means got shut out in the storm.

She had not turned up the light for fear of attracting attention, but in the darkness she found the key and the handle of the door easily enough, but to her surprise the key was already turned, and the door swung open easily as she touched it.

How careless of the servants! They must have gone to bed and forgotten to lock up properly. It was fortunate for them that it was she and not her father who had made the discovery; then she started back with a muffled cry of fear as a flash of lightning showed her the dark outline of a man's tall figure on the pathway outside.

Someone was trying to force a way in. For a moment she was paralyzed with fear, and then, before she could scream, something seemed to tell her who the man was, and the frightened beating of her heart turned to passionate joy as she recognized Shayle Holway.

She gave a little cry, "Shayle!" and put out trembling hands to him.

"Babs!" She was too happy to notice the agitation of his voice. "Babs!" What are you doing? You'll take your death of cold. Go in at once and shut the window."

"I want to speak to you. Oh, I must speak to you."

She did not release her clasp of his arm, though with gentle fingers he tried to free himself, then he gave a short laugh:

"I didn't hope for such good fortune. I'd written to you."

Written! Of course! She knew he would write. But now she did not want his letter, she only wanted him, and the touch of his hands and the sound of his voice, and her own voice was breathless and broken with agitation as she said:

"Oh, please come in, just for a moment."

He hesitated.

"They've all gone to bed," Babs said, shyly. "I came down to let Rough in. He was howling."

"I heard him. I let him into one of the stables."

"Oh, thank you."

But still he stood outside in the wet garden, and in the little silence that followed Babs could hear the steady drip! drip! from the eaves and from the drenched trees and bushes, and away in the far distance the sulky rumble of the retreating thunder.

And she said again in a whisper:

"Shayle—I wanted to see you so badly."

For a moment longer he was silent, then with a muttered exclamation he stepped into the room and took her in his arms.

His coat was all wet, but neither of them knew or cared, and Babs put her arms round his neck and hid her face on his shoulder as she had often longed to do, and Shayle said in a rough, stifled voice that sounded as if he were angry:

"I love you. I've always loved you. I never meant to tell you. I've nothing to offer you, but—Babs turn your face round."

And then he kissed her, many times, long, passionate kisses, as if to make up for the many months during which he had gone hungry for her lips.

They spoke in broken whispers.

"Do you love me? Do you really love me?"

"I think I've always loved you."

"You know what people will say. That I'm a fortune hunter—that it's not you I love at all!"

"I don't care what they say!"

"Your father will never hear of it."

Babs hid her face again, her arms tightly around his neck.

"I'm afraid I don't even care what father says now."

SHAYLE'S REMORSE

There was a little silence, then she whispered, half-laughing:

"You said that interesting things always happened in storms."

"I said tragic things," Shayle corrected her. "I hope there will be nothing tragic about this, my dear."

"I never thought it was possible to be so happy," she told him.

She turned her face towards the dark garden and the window. A tiny crescent moon was sailing jauntily aloft now, riding the billowy clouds like a fairy boat.

"Look!" said Babs.

Shayle followed the direction of her eyes.

"A new moon. We must wish, Babs."

They were silent for a little, then Babs said, in distress: "But we've seen it through glass, and that's unlucky."

"Rubbish! I only believe in good luck to-night," he told her tenderly.

He kissed her again and released her.

"You must go back to bed. I can't have you taking cold."

"Anyone would think I was a hothouse plant," she protested.

"Hothouse plant or not, you must go back to bed," he insisted.

He took her hands and raised them to his lips.

"Good-night, my best beloved, and God bless you."

He unlatched the window softly and stepped out into the garden again, but before he could tug away she called to him once more:

"Shayle!"

He came back at once.

"What is it?"

She held out her hand.

"The letter you wrote me. I want it."

She saw his tall figure stiffen.

"I won't give it to you now I've seen you."

She made a little grimace at him.

"My first real love-letter. I want it!"

"I'll write you another. A better one," he promised.

He kissed her again, very gently, then turned resolutely away, and Babs crept upstairs again to bed, her cheeks burning.

But though she felt so wide awake, sleep came almost at once, and she lay cuddled up under the blue quilt, her cheek pillowed on her hand, a happy smile round her lips, unconscious of the distress and turmoil in Shayle Holway's heart as he strode away through the darkness, his heavy steps echoing through the night.

There was, perhaps, no more unhappy man in the world than Shayle Holway as he walked home from High Elms through the dripping night, the pressure of Bab's kisses warm on his lips, and the undelivered letter in which he had asked her to forgive him for having kissed her; and to forget it, lying in his pocket. He had written it with such cold deliberation, meaning not to see her again if he could possibly avoid doing so, and instead he had held her in his arms and asked her to be his wife.

His wife! The little word wrenched his mind violently back to a day some ten years before, and to another woman who had walked with him then through an Autumn day, and whose young beauty had stirred his pulses.

He had been only twenty, and she four years older, and she had been his first love.

Not a lady! Quite a common little thing with a bad taste in dress, and an occasionally dropped "h," which had not then offended him at all, but only faintly amused him.

He had told her that he loved her, as she had intended he should do, and he had asked her to marry him, also as she had intended he should do, for Lena Fawcet was shrewd in spite of her youth, and she had made all inquiries about Shayle Holway's father before she carefully laid her plans.

Old Holway had been a comparatively wealthy man in those days, and Shayle was his only son. So Lena had set her cheap little snares, and Shayle had stumbled into them, never realizing that they were snares until he found himself hopelessly entangled.

They had got married one October afternoon when the sky was shedding tears over the dying leaves and fading flowers; married in a London registrar's dreary office, where there were unwashed windows and an ink-spotted desk, and a bald-headed man with a sniff, who mumbled the words that bound them together.

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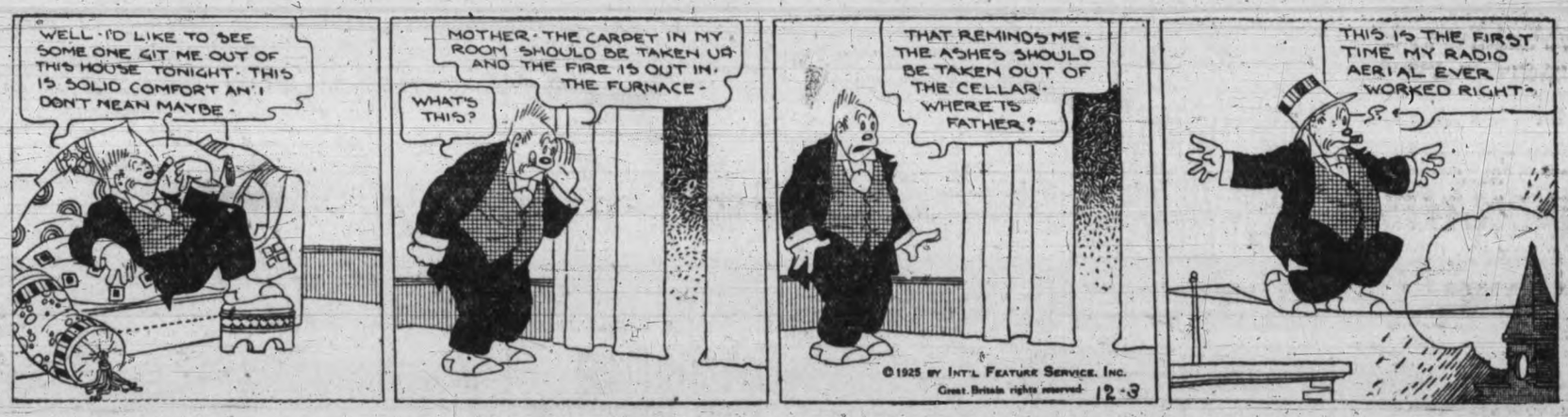
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CONSERVATIVES ASTOUNDED AS LYONS REPUDIATES POOLEY'S STAND ON P.G.E. FINANCING

Victoria Member Endorses Government's Plan to Provide Sinking Fund for Forty Per Cent of Original Railway Bonds, While Opposition Leader Attacks it; House Amazed at Second Public Break Between Opposition Members.

When R. H. Pooley, Opposition Leader, attacked the Oliver Government in the Legislature yesterday for planning to spend too much on Pacific Great Eastern Railway sinking funds, he found his attitude flatly and publicly repudiated by Major Gus Lyons, the chief financial authority of the Conservative Party.

Mr. Pooley declared that the Government would lay too great a burden on the taxpayers if it carried out its plan to provide a sinking fund for forty per cent of $20,000,000 of P.G.E. guaranteed bonds in seventeen years. This, he said, would cost $325,000 a year and he suggested that the new sinking fund cover only twenty-five per cent of the securities involved.

While the Government benches applauded and the leaders of the Conservative party looked surprised and pained Major Lyons, himself a bond dealer in private life, declared that the Government was quite right in its sinking fund policy and that the sooner the Province faced its financial problems the better. This declaration made the House gasp. It was the second public break in the Opposition ranks in a week, Michael Manson, Conservative, of Mackenzie, having repudiated his party's stand on log exports a few days ago and endorsed the Government's export policy.

Mr. Pooley pointed out in announcing his opposition to the sinking fund measure that the Government in its Budget had not admitted that the $20,000,000 of guaranteed P.G.E. bonds in question were part of the public debt. For some years, in fact, the Government had not classed these obligations as debt, despite the protests of the Conservatives, he said. The plan to provide sinking funds to cover these bonds, however, was an admission that they formed a direct liability on the Province, he declared.

"Under its present condition," Mr. Pooley went on, "the Province is not in a position to assume as big a burden as $325,000 a year for sinking funds for these bonds. Surely we can spread it over a little longer."

SMALLER PROVISION

The Opposition Leader suggested as a compromise that the sinking fund cover only twenty-five per cent of the bonds instead of forty per cent as the Government planned.

Mr. Pooley pointed out that the Government had asked him before whether the Conservative Government carried the P.G.E. guaranteed bonds as direct liabilities on its books. As a matter of fact, however, the previous Government's position was entirely different, he said, as it had not taken over the railway at that time. The builders thus were responsible for the line's liabilities.

H. G. Perry, Liberal, of Prince George, remarked that the Opposition was changing its tune in strange fashion as it had been attacking the Government for years for not providing adequate sinking funds. Now it objected to adequate provision. It was true that the P.G.E. bonds were liabilities of the Province, he said, but against this was an asset. At the same time provision for meeting the liability at maturity must be met, he said. The Government, he declared, was to be congratulated on its policy, and its decision to meet the debt situation. Mr. Pooley's idea of providing a smaller sinking fund, Mr. Perry observed, reminded him of the kind hearted Irishman who cut off an inch of his dog's tail a day instead of lopping it off all at once in order to save the animal pain.

WANTS P.G.E. POLICY

The Government should bring down its general railway policy before asking the House to consider any phase of it like the sinking fund question, J. W. Jones, Conservative of South Okanagan, declared. The House so far knew nothing about the actual condition of the P.G.E., he declared.

Hon. J. D. MacLean, Minister of Finance, retorted that the condition of the line had nothing to do with sinking funds that covered debts already contracted.

"The guaranteed bonds are liabilities on the Province and always have been," Premier Oliver declared. He added that the public accounts of the Conservative Government did not show them as liabilities, however.

The Premier pointed out that the House could discuss the general P.G.E. situation when the Government opened discussion on this matter. Such a discussion, however, had nothing to do with the sinking fund phase of the problem, he said.

PROVINCE'S CREDIT

He explained that during the next year the Government would have to sell large amounts of debentures. The price to be secured for these, of course, would depend upon the Province's credit. If $20,000,000 of guaranteed bonds were not covered by sinking funds, he said, the price of debentures would be affected unfavorably.

Joshua Hinchliffe, Conservative, of Victoria, protested against the Government's attempt to vote sinking funds without honestly and frankly admitting that the bonds covered by these funds were direct liabilities on the Province.

"We must make preparations to pay this liability off," Major Lyons protested, taking a stand diametrically opposed to his leader. "The difference between the cost of creating a sinking fund of forty per cent and twenty-five per cent is not a great deal in annual charges. This should have been provided long ago, but it's better late than never. The sooner we face our responsibilities the better."

The sinking fund legislation was given second reading and will go into committee stages some time this week.

ENTER PROTEST ON SUNDAY SWIMMING

Belmont Methodist State Objections to City Council

The City Council was last night notified, by the Belmont Avenue Methodist Sunday School, that strong objection would be taken to the operation of the Crystal Garden swimming pool on Sunday afternoons. The Sunday school will be notified that no request for permission to operate the bathing pool has been received and, in any event, the council has no jurisdiction in the matter.

CANDIDATES WILL SPEAK TO-NIGHT AT CENTENNIAL

Mayor and Present Members of City Council Also Invited

Aldermen will this evening attend a meeting of the Centennial Church Brotherhood and discuss public affairs. At last night's session of the City Council an invitation from Rev. J. P. Westman to the Mayor and council was received. Candidates for civic honor have also been invited. The discussion will be held in the Centennial Church school room. Mayor Pendray regretted inability to be present. Waterworks expropriation, reverted lots, sale of Sooke watershed timber and smoke abatement are the topics suggested to the aldermen.

INTERIOR WATER USERS WILL GET AID UNDER BILL

Further Moratorium For Interior Irrigationists Foreshadowed by Pattullo

Two Sides to Water Controversies Getting Together, Interior Member Asserts

A further moratorium for the water users in the irrigation municipalities of the interior as to their debts to the Conservation fund of the Provincial Government was foreshadowed by Hon. T. D. Pattullo, Minister of Lands, in the Legislature yesterday when moving second reading of his bill to amend the Water Act.

The bill already contains one partial measure of relief to the hard pressed farmers of the dry belt and the Minister stated that, recognizing their difficulties, he was considering the extension of further relief by a moratorium.

Arthur G. Cochrane, Conservative member for North Okanagan, who assailed the Minister vigorously last week for his apparent refusal to consider the plight of the water municipalities, jumped to his feet on hearing Mr. Pattullo's announcement and stated that the two sides of the controversy were getting much closer together.

He expressed belief that the clause in the act giving the Government power to relieve water users from paying any portion of the loan burden thrown on their shoulders by the abandonment of their lands by their neighbors did not go far enough and asked time to correspond with his constituents. Mr. Pattullo said he was agreeable to an amendment if the clause was not satisfactory and the debate was adjourned.

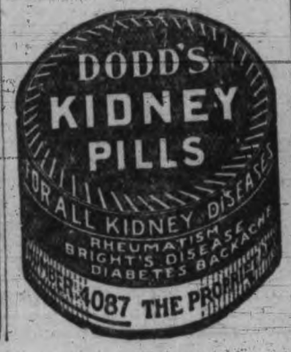
Mr. Pattullo, on moving his bill, said that the sums levied against the water users to repay the conservation fund loans were capital charges and not taxes and could not see his way to relieve them from their just obligations. He recognized the difficulties of their situation, however, especially as the first season after the two-year moratorium had been characterized by grasshopper and other plagues which had destroyed the crops in a large measure.

EXPECTED CLASH A DUD; OPPOSITION MOTION ACCEPTED

The expected passage-at-arms between Premier Oliver and the Opposition over the Premier's Sumas resolution passed off without a ripple of excitement in the Legislature yesterday.

The Premier moved that the Agricultural Committee be instructed to take evidence on the dispute about the Sumas reclamation cost under oath and report the evidence to the House. The committee had been taking evidence under oath for several days. When the resolution was called in the House Premier Oliver denied that there was any intent to limit the functions of the committee or that the resolution would have that effect. He merely thought that on account of the serious nature of the issue and of the conflicting and, as he maintained, unreliable nature of some of the representations, the witnesses should be sworn.

J. W. Jones, Conservative, South Okanagan, served notice of an amendment instructing the committee to report, in addition to the evidence, its observations and recommendations in respect thereto. It was suggested that the debate on this new phase of the question stand over, but after a moment's hesitation Mr. Oliver said he thought the amendment failed to give the committee any power it did not already have and agreed to accept the amendment. Mr. Jones then moved that the resolution as amended pass and the incident closed.



LOW WATER RATES FOR INDUSTRIES URGED BY REEVE

Matheson Asks Legislature to Force City to Give Esquimalt Business Fair Treatment

Low water rates for industries in Esquimalt are demanded by Reeve Matheson in a letter to members of the Legislature, who are about to consider Victoria's recent expropriation of the Esquimalt waterworks. The Reeve's letter, which was brought to the attention of the House yesterday by Ian Mackenzie, of Vancouver, runs as follows:

"The reason that Victoria's control of Esquimalt's water supply may be fatal to industry is that Victoria and Esquimalt have different ambitions. Victoria hopes to gather wealth from the fortunes of retired gentlemen and from American tourists; or, in other words, from the dead, from the near dead and from many who would be better dead. Esquimalt, on the other hand, hopes for more payrolls.

"Abundant sources of water supply were allotted to Esquimalt and Victoria West by the Esquimalt Water Works Act, 1885 and by the Esquimalt Water Works Amendment Act, 1892. The restriction that the water should be used for the peninsula was not regarded as a privilege or right by the Esquimalt Water Works Company. If this restriction is removed the surplus water that could be sold at low rates to industries will be taken by Victoria.

ATTITUDE REVEALED

"Victoria's attitude towards industries is revealed by the attached clipping from the Victoria Times of December 4. The Victoria rate of seventeen cents is too high for the mill men. It forbids the establishment of industries that use great quantities of water and must have a rate as low as two cents a thousand gallons. Victoria has given a water concession for the Empress Hotel, and, in the terms of expropriation printed in the Bill, you may read the contract to give a water concession to Colwood golf link.

MUST HAVE PAYROLLS

"In Esquimalt we must have payrolls in order that families may be provided with food and clothing. We admit that golf links crystal gardens and fine hotels are desirable things, but when there are no industries and no jobs, some of our people go hungry.

"If the Legislature permits Victoria to take the water that was preserved for the peninsula, we ask that a Section be added to the Bill to impose an obligation on Victoria to supply water to large water consuming industries in Esquimalt at rates that shall be no higher than the lowest rate or water concession granted to those enterprises which are favored by Victoria."

PLAN NO MORE BIG EXPENDITURES ON B.C. COLLEGE NOW

Total Investment in University Now $4,229,000, House Learns

Valuable data was given to the Legislature to-day by Hon. J. D. MacLean, Minister of Finance, in opening the debate on second reading of the $2,000,000 University loan bill.

Of the total sum $1,229,000 was required to complete payment on the existing buildings, not, however, in addition to the $500,000 obtained by special warrant, he stated. Further money, however, was required to provide a fire hall, an incinerator and a drying shed for the forest products laboratory, to put in roads and sidewalks around the university buildings and improve the campus.

The sum of $350,000, he said, had already been expended on the development of the endowment lands and this would have to come out of the loan bill, while provision would have to be made for continuation of this development.

NECESSARY

Many of these expenditures, the Minister explained, were made necessary by reason of the fact that the lands had been taken out of Point Grey municipality which meant that they had to provide their own fire protection, their own incinerator for the destruction of refuse and so on.

This bill would make the total investment in the university institution itself $4,229,000 and the Minister said no further sums would be asked for some time to come. When questioned he admitted it was difficult to foresee the future of an institution which in eight years had increased its enrolment from 357 to more than 1,500.

Dr. MacLean ran foul of G. A. Walkem, Point Grey, when he said it had been assumed that the townsite development costs would have been assumed by Point Grey. Mr. Walkem said that the Minister of Lands had thrown a monkey wrench into the negotiations to that end and had broken them off just when the municipality was prepared to sign.

BILL TO CUT POWER OF NOTARIES GOES TO LAYMEN OF HOUSE

Opposition developed instantaneously when Ian Mackenzie last night introduced to the Legislature his bills to amend the Notaries and Legal Professions Act.

"I've got my knife out for those bills," declared Col. Cy Peck, V.C., on first reading. The bills were referred to a committee of non-lawyers for report. The committee consists of Messrs. Oddum, Wrinch, Coventry, Lister and Walkem. The purpose of the bills is to restrict the powers of notaries in such matters as the lawyers claim involve the possession of technical knowledge.

SINKING FUND FOR NEW LOANS COVERED IN MacLEAN BUDGET

On the $2,250,000 which Hon. Dr. J. D. MacLean's general loan bill authorizes the Government to borrow for expenditure on roads and bridges the Minister of finance informed the Legislature yesterday that the annual sinking fund and interest charge will be $151,000. This sum is already included in the year's estimates, he said, and is not an additional amount to the estimated expenditure given in the budget.

When the gasoline tax was introduced five years ago, he said, the policy of using this tax and the motor license fees for road work was adopted. During the last six years $11,000,000 had been spent on new roads and bridges. The interest and sinking fund required to retire this sum as borrowed under various loan bills was $829,000.

The additional $2,250,000 would require another $151,000 of annual charges, making a total of $990,000 to take care of the capital expenditure under this heading so far. The receipts from motor licenses and gas taxes last year were $1,283,000, leaving a substantial balance to be used for ordinary road maintenance in addition to the capital expenditures.

J. W. Jones, Conservative financial critic, adjourned the debate on this bill, which also provides another $100,000 for the Land Settlement Board to be used as a revolving sum to be re-loaned on repayment as the board's purposes may require. The minister stated this would be the last loan made in behalf of the Land Settlement Board for all time. After this the Board would be expected to finance itself. Another $75,000 is for the further development of the Southern Okanagan irrigation project, he stated.

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